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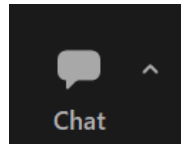
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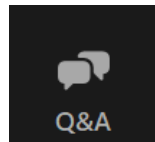
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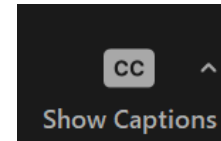
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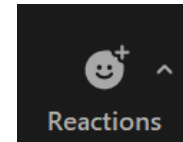
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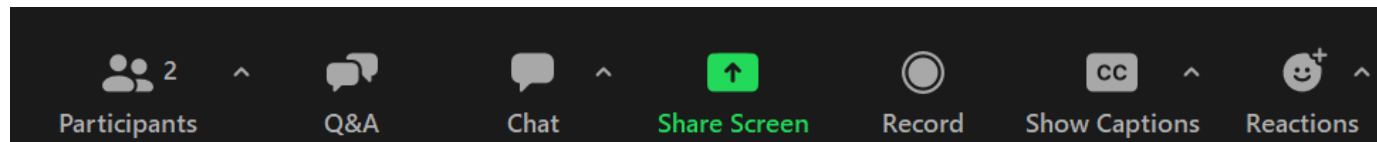
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- Support and equip health care providers to serve as trusted sources of COVID-19 vaccine information for their patients and their communities
- Respond to member requests for resources
- Work together to increase vaccine rates across the state



Who can join POP?

Current Membership

- 4,500+ individuals
- 400 health care organizations
- 90 different health care roles
- Over 20 partnering health care associations

Any health care provider who engages with the people they serve about COVID-19 vaccinations is eligible—the ability to educate and refer is as important as administering the vaccine!



Visit our website to learn more at doh.wa.gov/joinpop. Fill out the [member signup form](#) to join the initiative.

Current Resources



POP Shop

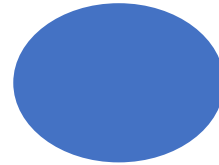
- Webpage to order free patient handouts, posters, discussion guides, other materials

doh.wa.gov/form/pop-shop



Biweekly e-newsletter

- New resources, timely and relevant updates for members
- Featuring POP member stories in Provider Spotlights

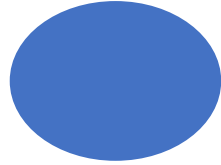


POP en Español

- Updates, links, fact sheets, other resources for providers serving Spanish-speaking populations

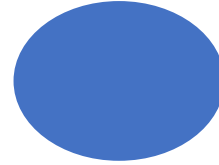
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Current Opportunities



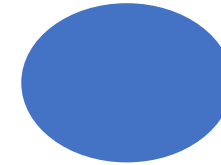
Provider Advisory Group

- Multi-disciplinary group of POP members who inform and help guide our work



Peer-to-Peer webinars

- Learn about topics related to COVID vaccine from speakers who work in health care
- To learn about upcoming topics, register, and view recordings, visit doh.wa.gov/pop



Member engagement

- POP staff are available and engaged in conversations with providers across the state to learn about your experiences, challenges, and feedback for DOH

Peer-to-Peer Webinars

- Health care providers share expertise and knowledge with one another
- DOH provides meeting space only, not content

Effectively Engaging Communities series with **Dr Michelle Andrasik**:

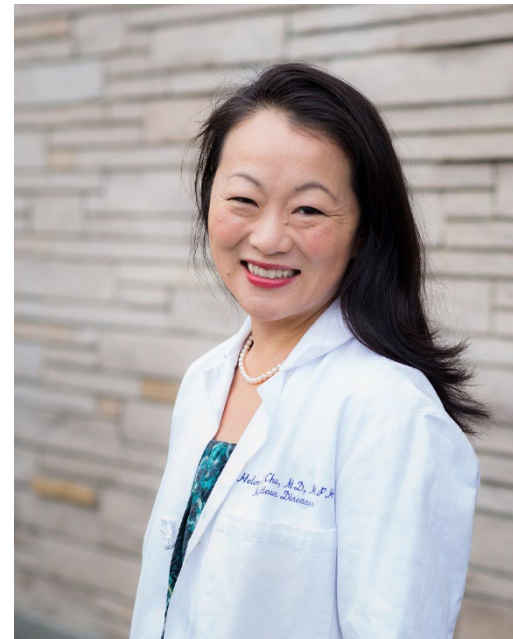
- April 19: Building Relationships and Establishing Trust
- May 10: Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy



Today's Presenter

Dr Helen Chu MD, MPH

- Professor of Medicine at the University of Washington.
- Earned her M.D. at Duke and her M.P.H at UW.
- Research focus is on preventive interventions against influenza, RSV and emerging respiratory viruses, including SARS-CoV-2. She was a Multiple Principal Investigator of the Seattle Flu Study, which first identified COVID-19 community transmission in the United
- Interested in defining clinical and immune correlates of protection against respiratory viruses and describing mechanisms of maternal-fetal immunity against respiratory viruses.



University of Washington Research Updates on Long COVID

Helen Y. Chu, MD MPH
Professor of Medicine
University of Washington
March 29, 2024

Washington State Department of Health
Webinar for Power of Providers

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Outline

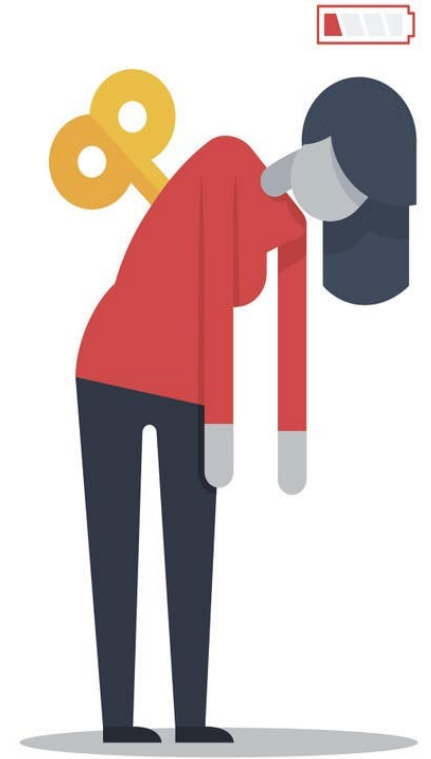
- Definitions, risk factors, and clinical manifestations
- Results from research studies at the University of Washington
- New clinical trials

Terminology

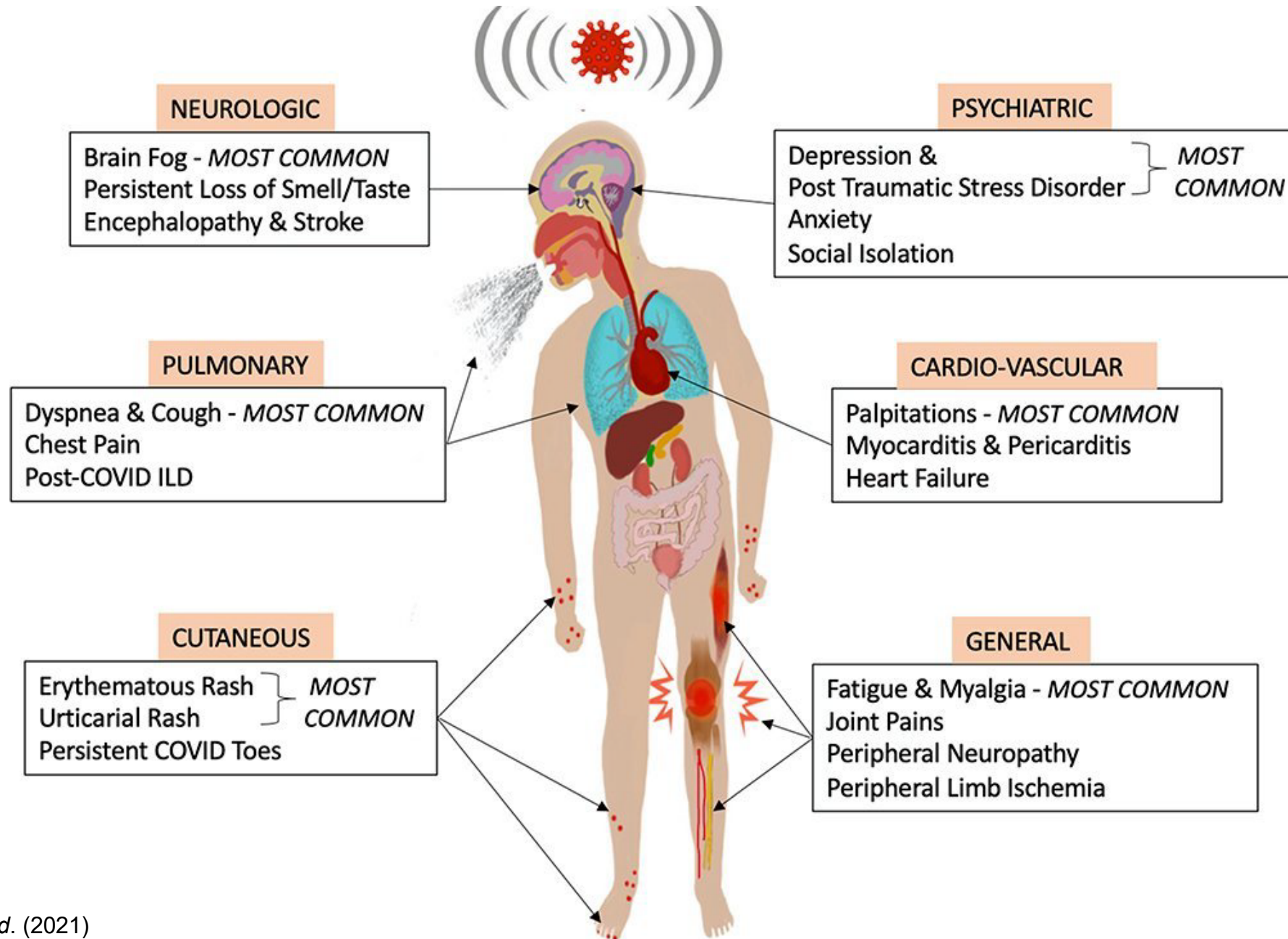
- Different terms
 - NIH: Post-Acute Sequelae of COVID-19 (PASC)
 - CDC: Post-COVID Conditions (PCC)
 - Long COVID
 - Long-haul COVID
- WHO definition: usually three months from the onset of the COVID-19 with symptoms that last for at least two months and cannot be explained by an alternative diagnosis
- CDC definition: symptoms developing during or after COVID-19 infection, but are present four or more weeks after infection with no alternative diagnosis
- ICD-10: U09.9 – Unspecified Post-COVID Condition

Long COVID Overlaps with Post-Viral Syndromes

- Ebola, SARS, MERS survivors have similar patterns of persistent symptoms
 - Persistent shortness of breath, fatigue, reduced quality of life and mental health problems after SARS-CoV-1
 - Chronic fatigue in survivors of MERS in 48% at one year
 - Post-Ebola virus syndrome of fatigue, joint and muscle pain (70%), headache (48%), ocular problems (14%)
- Overlap with myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome after viral illnesses like Chikungunya, Lyme or Epstein-Barr virus infection
 - Fatigue and myalgias
 - Problems with memory/concentration

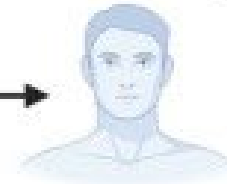


Long COVID is a multi-organ systemic inflammatory disease



Acute COVID-19

Full recovery



Predictors

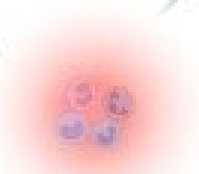
- Demographic factors (age, sex)
- Medical comorbidities (obesity, asthma, diabetes)
- Acute COVID-19 severity/viral load
- Social determinants
- Vaccination status

Long COVID

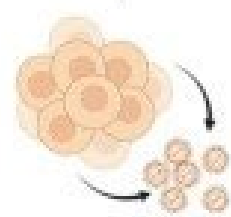
Time
Symptomatic management
Evolving immune status?
Targeted therapeutics?



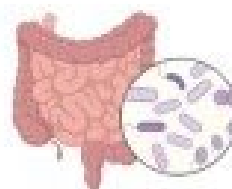
Viral antigen persistence



Systemic and tissue-specific inflammation



Human herpesvirus reactivation



Dysbiosis



Microvascular dysfunction



SARS-CoV-2-specific and autoreactive immune responses

Proposed contributing mechanisms

Multiple different mechanisms likely account for the different manifestations of long COVID

Mechanisms of PASC

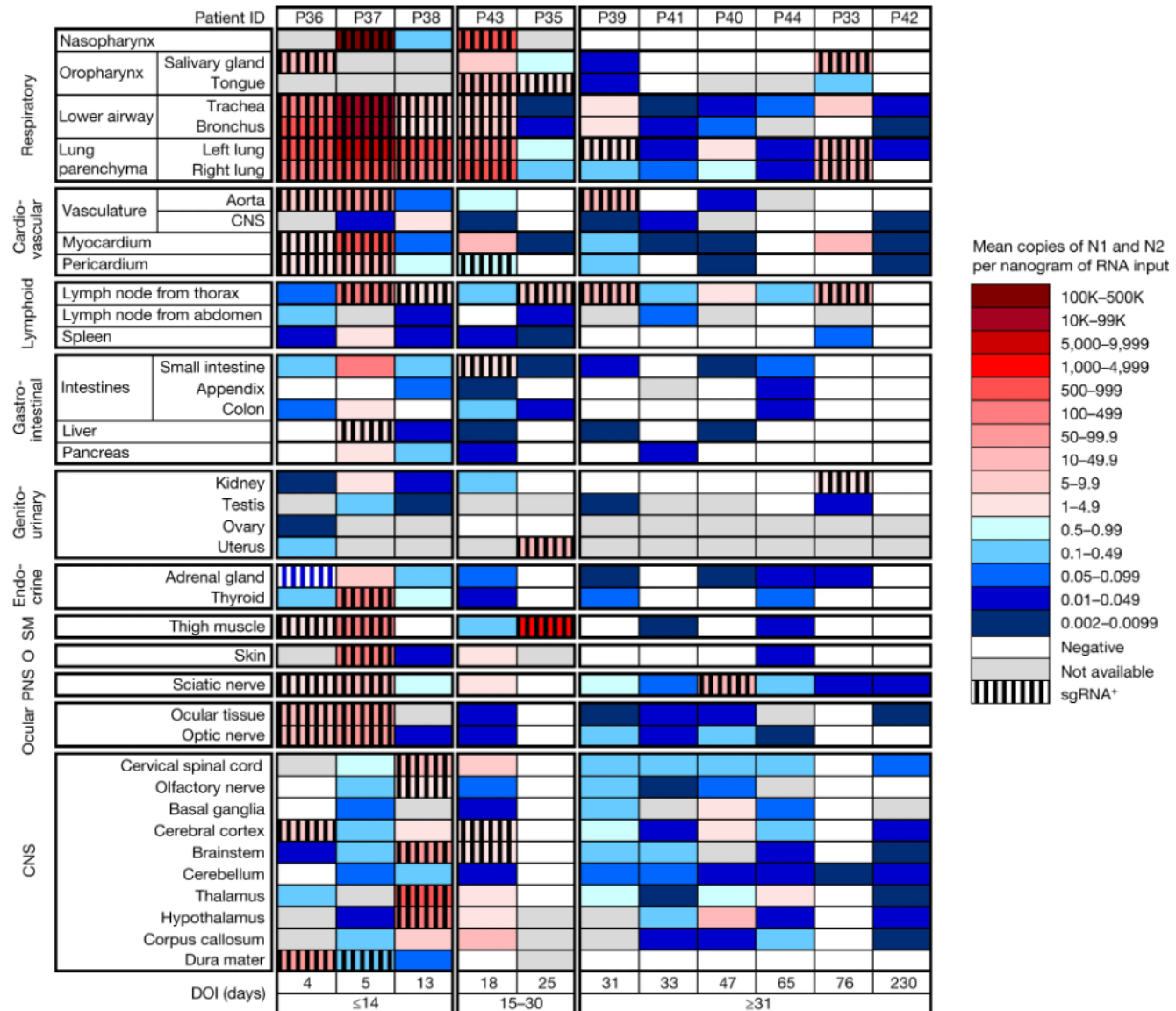
- Viral persistence
 - Reservoir of replicating virus with associated ongoing inflammation
- Cardiopulmonary disease: Virus-specific pathophysiologic changes, microvascular thromboembolism, direct myocardial injury
- Autoimmune disease: Immunologic aberrations & inflammatory damage in response to the acute infection
- Neurologic sequelae
 - Microvascular ischemia & injury, immobility, metabolic alterations during critical illness
 - Mimics post-chemotherapy brain with elevated CSF cytokines, myelin loss

SARS-CoV-2 Viral Persistence

Distribution, quantification and replication of SARS-COV-2 in autopsy tissues:

- RNA copy number decreases over time from initial infection.
- RNA persists to 230 days
- sgRNA persists to 76 days

Stein SR et al. Nature (2022);
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-022-05542-y>
 Slide courtesy of Jason Goldman, MD, MPH



SARS-CoV-2 Anti-Viral Prevention Strategy

Original Investigation

March 23, 2023

Association of Treatment With Nirmatrelvir and the Risk of Post-COVID-19 Condition

Yan Xie, PhD^{1,2}; Taeyoung Choi, MPH^{1,2}; Ziyad Al-Aly, MD^{1,2,3,4,5}

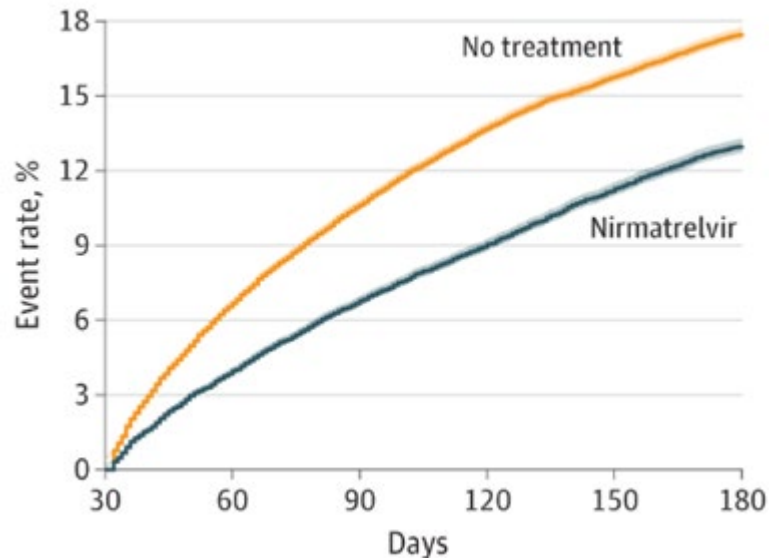
Observational data... in high risk outpatients (>281k veterans)

Paxlovid given at the time of Acute COVID-19 reduces risk of Long Covid:

- Relative Risk of long COVID: 0.74 (95%CI, 0.72-0.77)

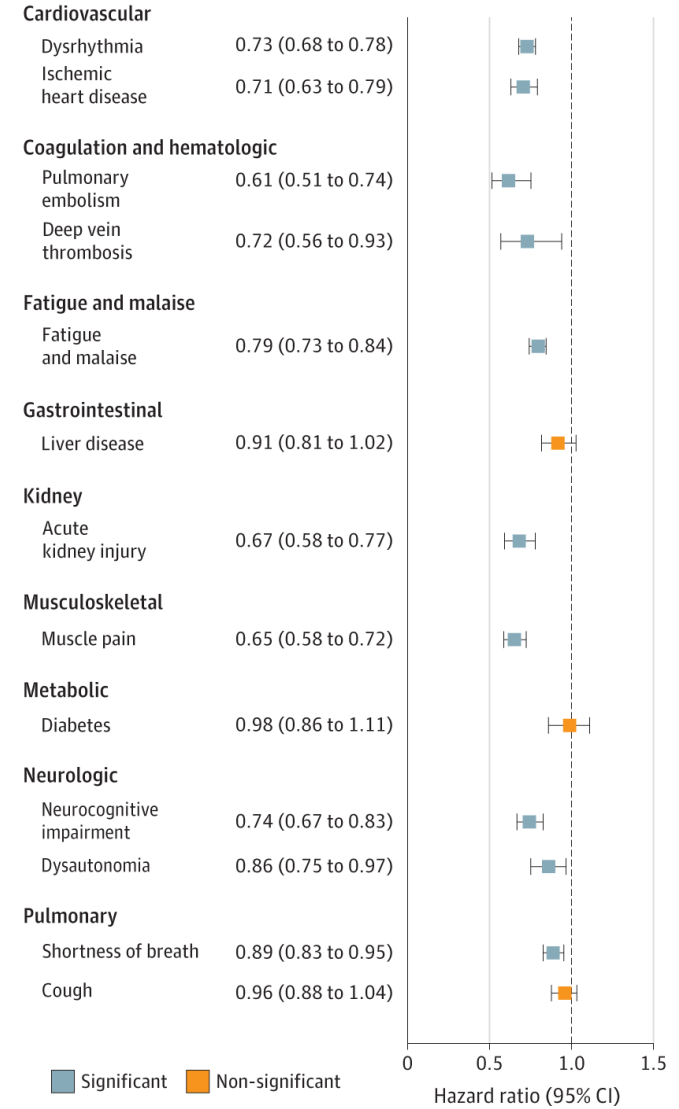


Any long COVID



Xie Y et al. JAMA Internal Medicine (2023)
DOI: [10.1001/jamainternmed.2023.0743](https://doi.org/10.1001/jamainternmed.2023.0743)
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Components of long COVID



Outline

- Definitions, risk factors, and clinical manifestations
- Results from research studies at the University of Washington
- New clinical trials

January 21, 2020

First Patient With Wuhan Coronavirus Is Identified in the U.S.

A man in Washington State is infected with a new respiratory virus. Federal officials plan to expand screenings for the infection at major airports.



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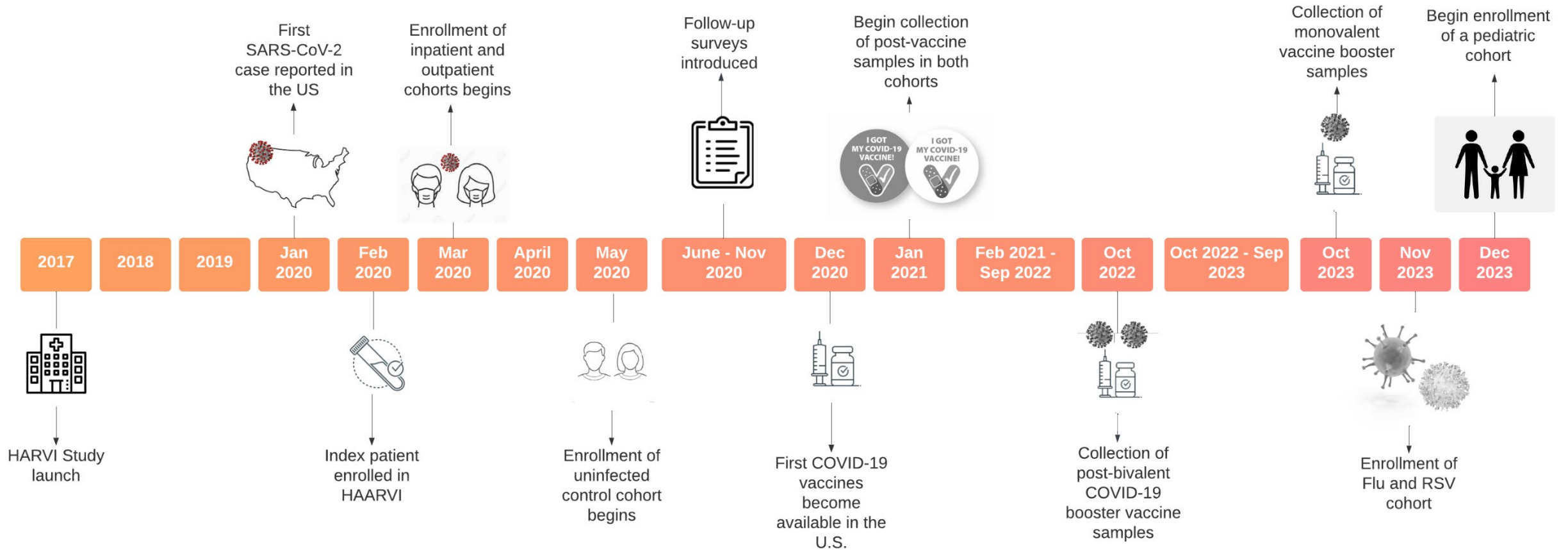


February 2020: UW study established to enroll individuals with COVID-19

- Blood samples from individuals recovered from COVID-19 were critically needed early in the pandemic
 - To see if vaccines can make the same immune response
 - As the source of samples to develop therapies (monoclonal antibodies)
 - To understand how long immunity lasts, and identify early markers of severe disease
- Transfer of human samples across international boundaries is challenging
- Early in a pandemic, research samples were scarce, route of transmission of SARS-CoV-2 was unclear, and heightened infection control precautions were in place
- Seattle, WA was the location of the first U.S. case of COVID-19

We had an ongoing research study of adults with respiratory viral infections and were able to work with our infection control, human subjects, and environmental health services colleagues to start enrolling individuals with SARS-CoV-2 within days

Study Milestones



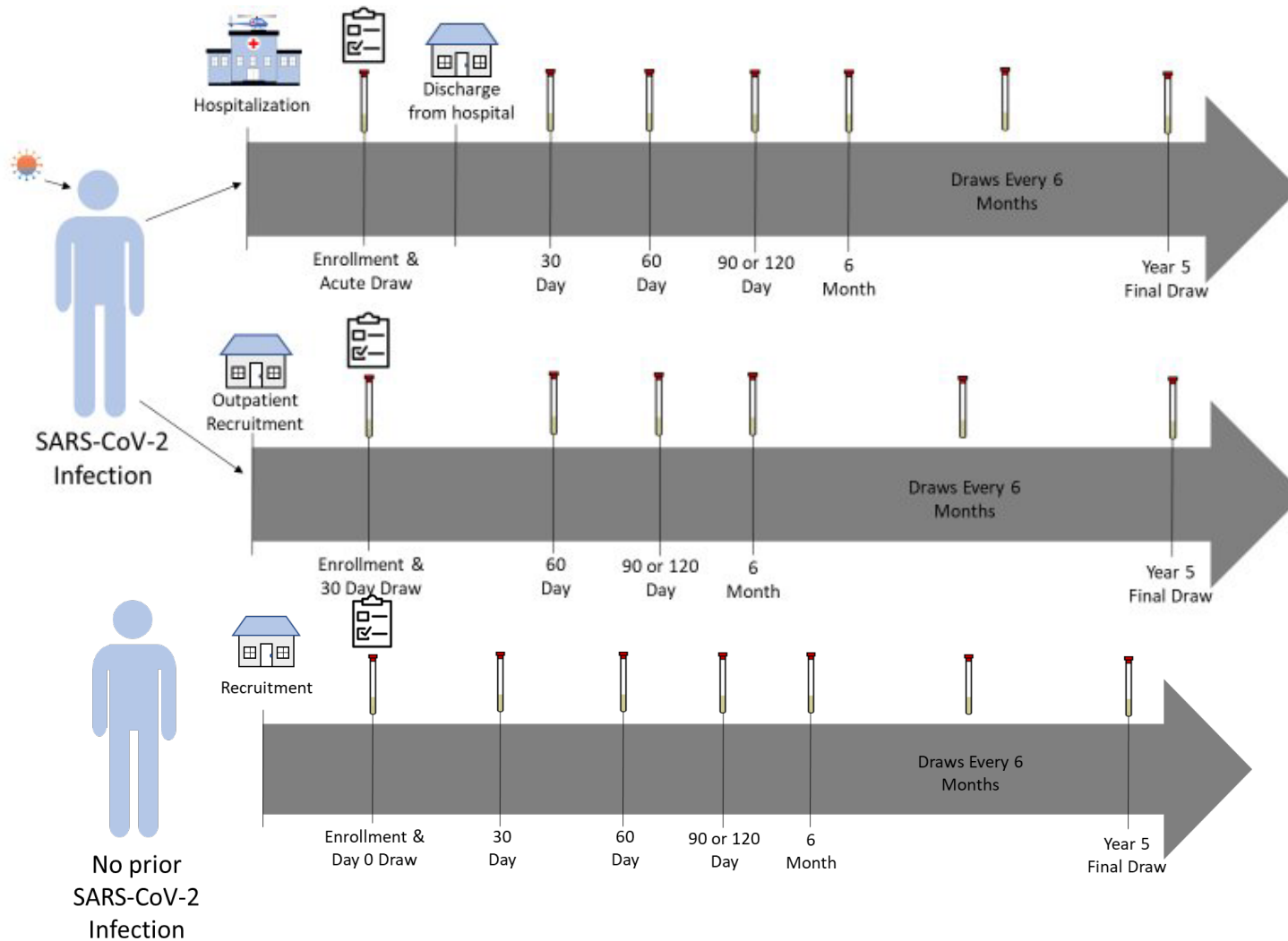
Antibody escape: Greaney, Cell Host Microbe 2021

Comparison of vaccines: Cameroni, Nature 2021, Bowen Science 2022

Hybrid immunity: Rodda, Cell 2022

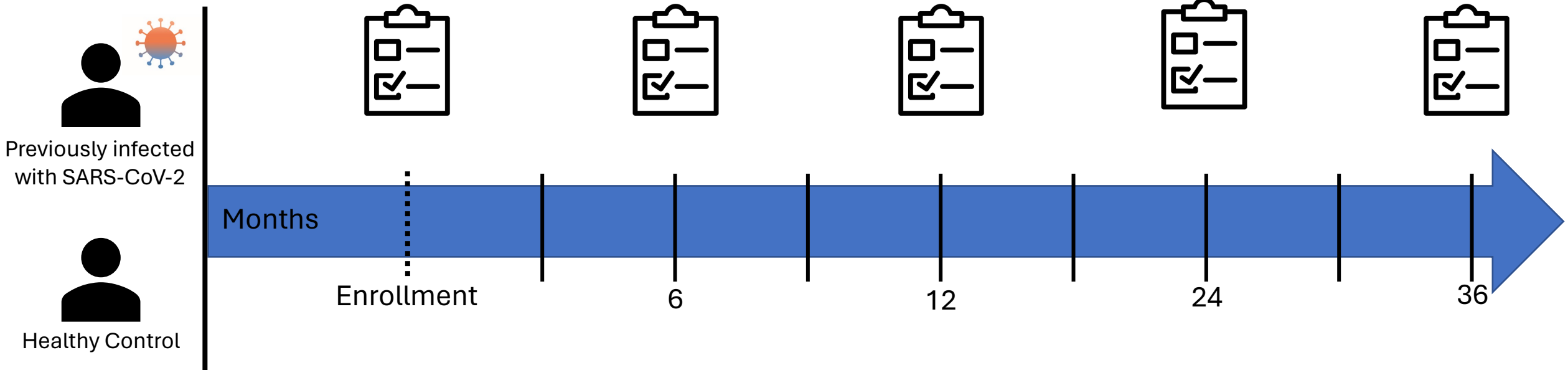
Omicron antigenic sin: Addetia, Immunity 2024

Enrollment and Follow-up



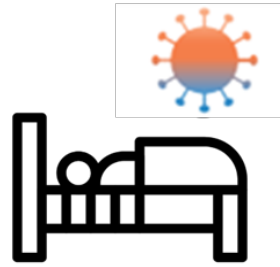
- Inpatients were enrolled during hospitalization. Loss to follow up in this cohort was significant
- The outpatient cohort was enrolled 30 days after initial infection. Some were hospitalized during their acute illness, but no acute samples were collected
- An uninfected control cohort was concurrently enrolled

Collection of Symptom Data



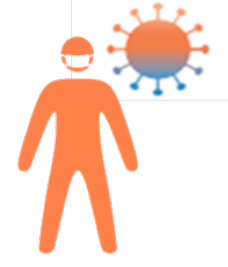
Symptom data is collected at enrollment, and 6-, 12-, 24-, and 36-months post-infection or post-enrollment

Total Enrollment: 646



Inpatients

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Outpatients

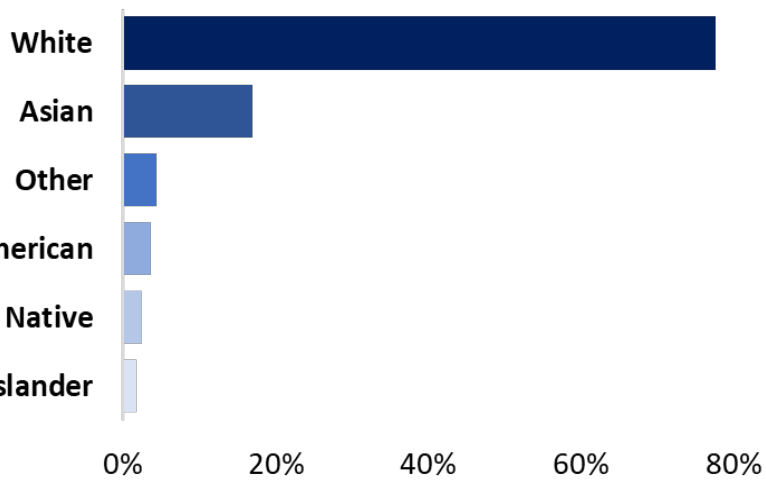
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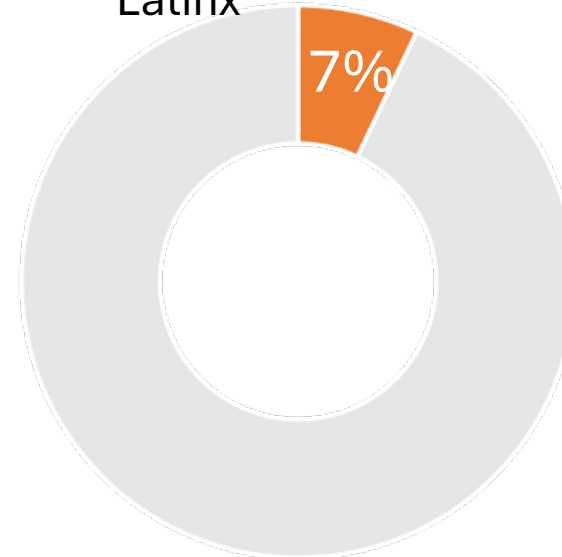
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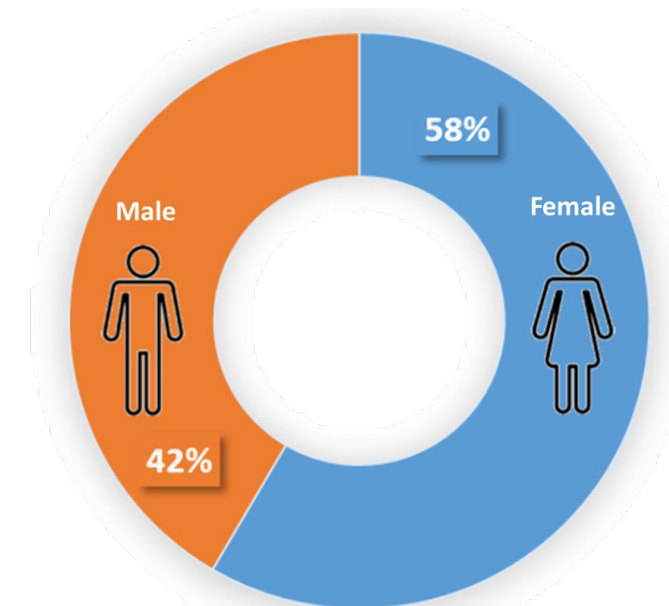
Race



Hispanic or Latinx



Sex



Professor Jan Englund
Seattle Children's



Enrolling the first US patient with SARS-CoV-2
(no masks!)

- Source of monoclonal antibody (Eli Lilly)
- Moderna vaccine → clinical correlates of protection

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

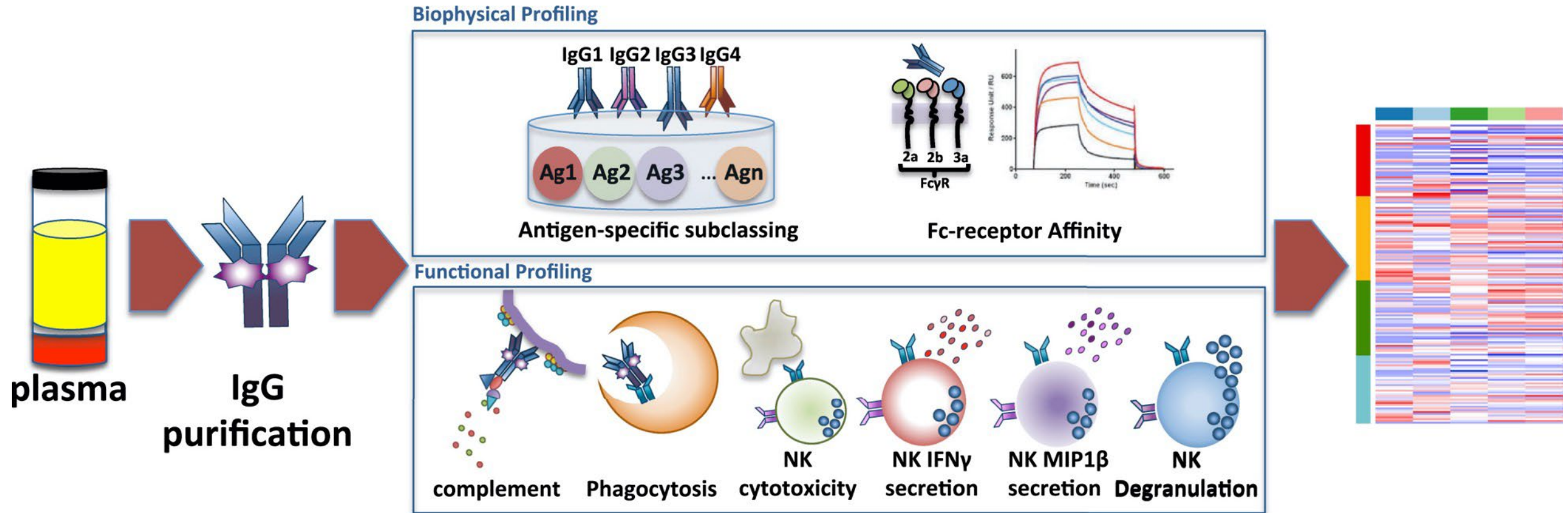
Evaluation of the mRNA-1273 Vaccine against SARS-CoV-2 in Nonhuman Primates

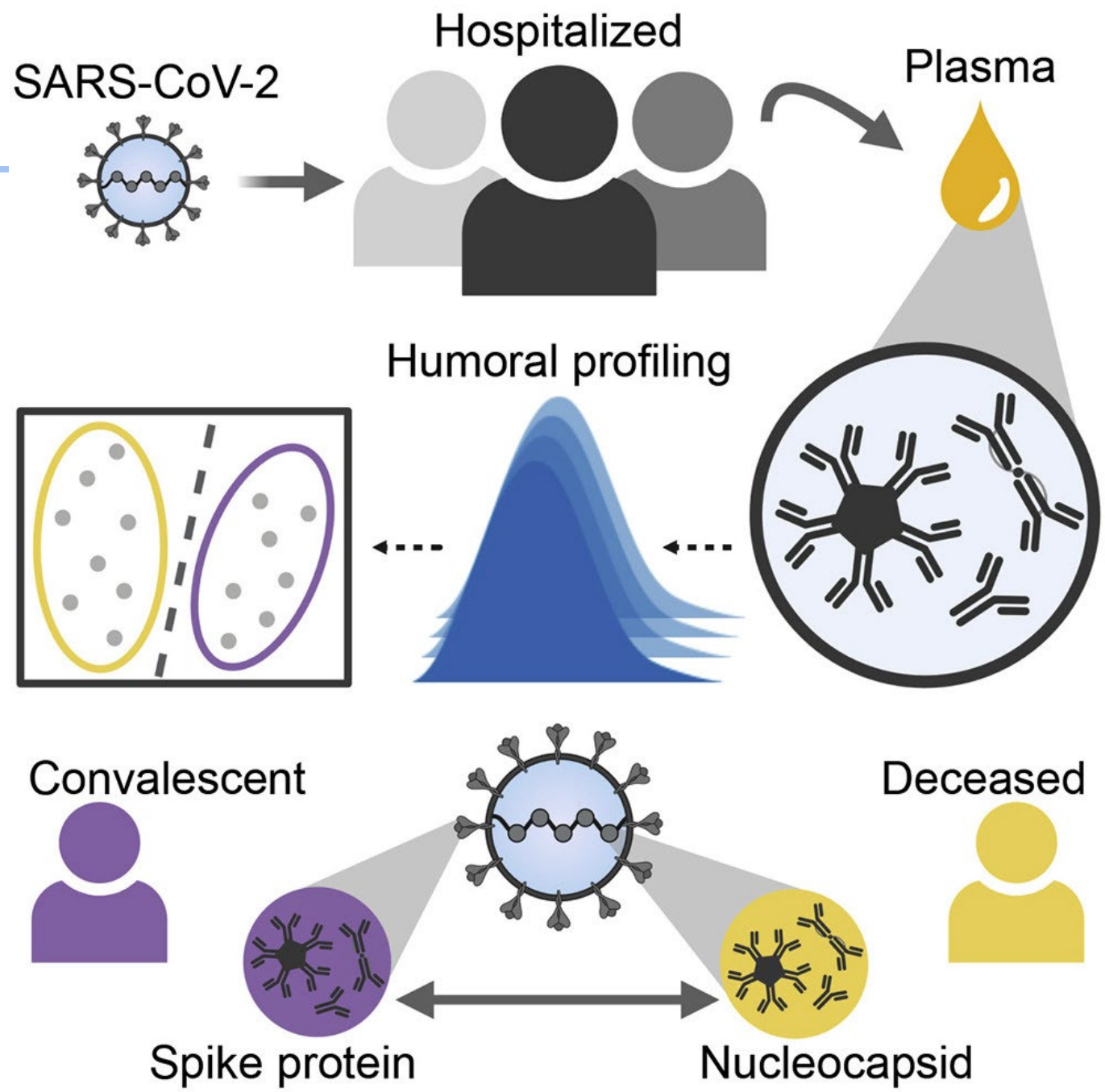
K.S. Corbett, B. Flynn, K.E. Foulds, J.R. Francica, S. Boyoglu-Barnum, A.P. Werner, B. Flach, S. O'Connell, K.W. Bock, M. Minai, B.M. Nagata, H. Andersen,

HUMAN CONVALESCENT-PHASE SERUM

A panel of 42 human convalescent-phase serum specimens were obtained from persons between 18 and 84 years of age who had mild, moderate, or severe Covid-19 under institutional review board–approved specimen-collection protocols at the NIH Clinical Center (Bethesda, MD) (ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT00067054), Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center, Columbia University (New York) (NCT04342195), and the University of Washington (Seattle) (Hospitalized or Ambulatory Adults with Respiratory Viral Infection [HAARVI] study and STUDY00000959). Written informed consent was provided by all participants. Participants had a history of laboratory-confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection roughly 1 to 2 months before they provided specimens.

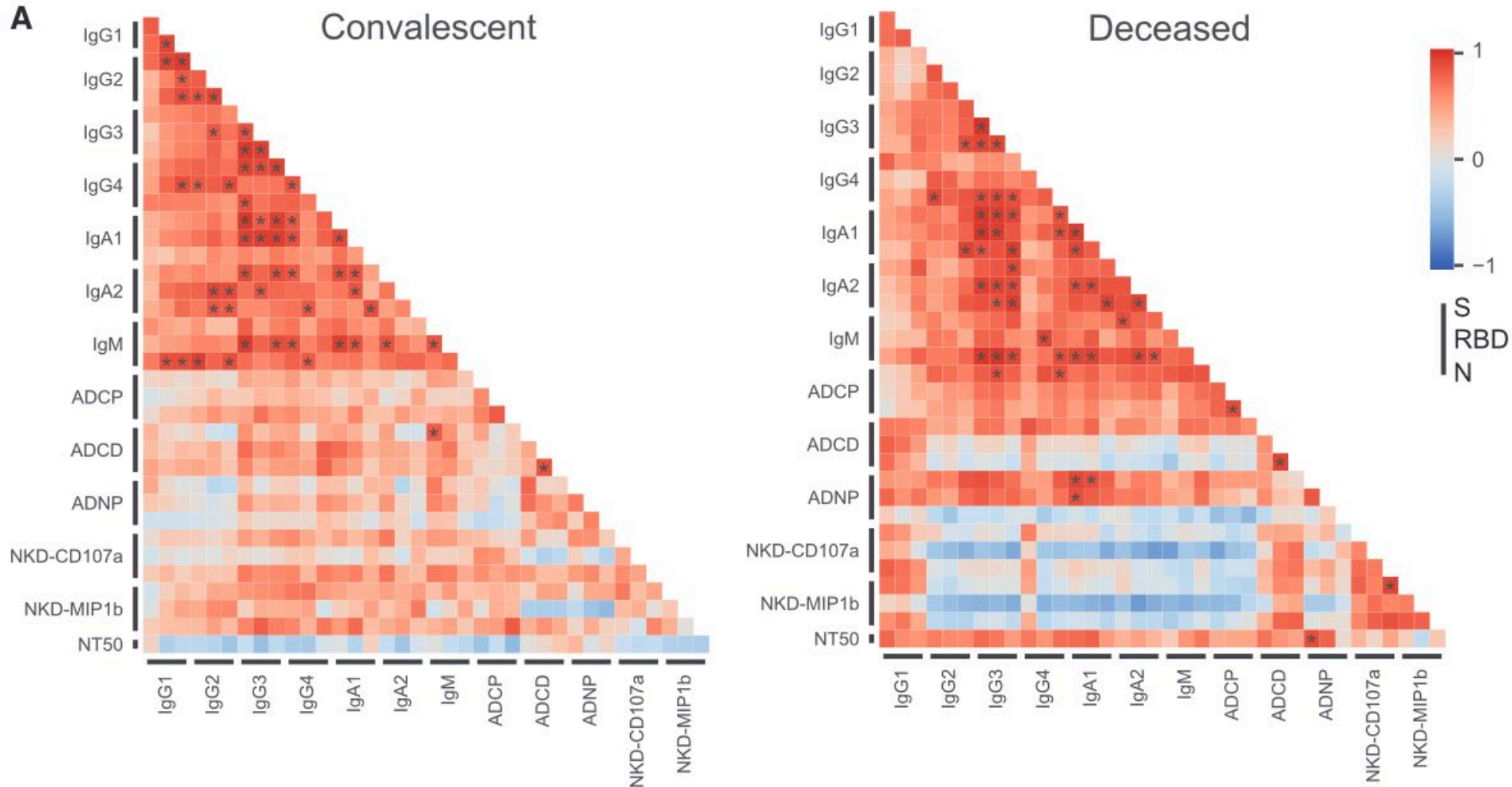
Systems Serology to Evaluate Early Signatures Associated with COVID-19





Spike specific responses enriched in convalescent individuals, nucleocapsid responses in deceased individuals

Heatmap showing pairwise correlation matrices of antigen-specific antibody titers and effector functions for convalescent vs deceased



Deceased individuals have negative and poorer correlations of NK cell-activating and complement-recruiting antibody responses with other functions



- Characterize the prevalence of ongoing symptoms in a cohort of COVID-19 recovered individuals
- Describe changes in quality of life and ability to perform activities of daily living
- Compare these findings with a concurrent cohort of healthy controls

Long Term Sequelae of COVID: Methods

Initial questionnaire

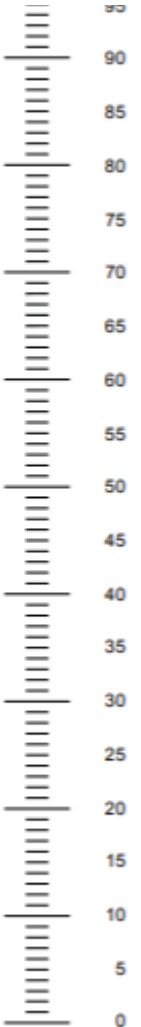
- Completed at time of enrollment (either in the hospital at time of illness, or at day 30 after symptom onset at their first clinic visit)
- Assess acute symptoms

Follow up questionnaire completed 3-9 months after illness

- Persistent symptoms
- Activities of Daily Living
 - Climbing stairs, transferring, grooming & personal care, toilet & bathing
 - Household chores, managing personal affairs
- Medical care accessed
 - Primary care, Urgent Care, ED, hospitalization

Quality of life - EuroQol visual analog scale (based on the Italian COVID study)

Best
health



Worst
health

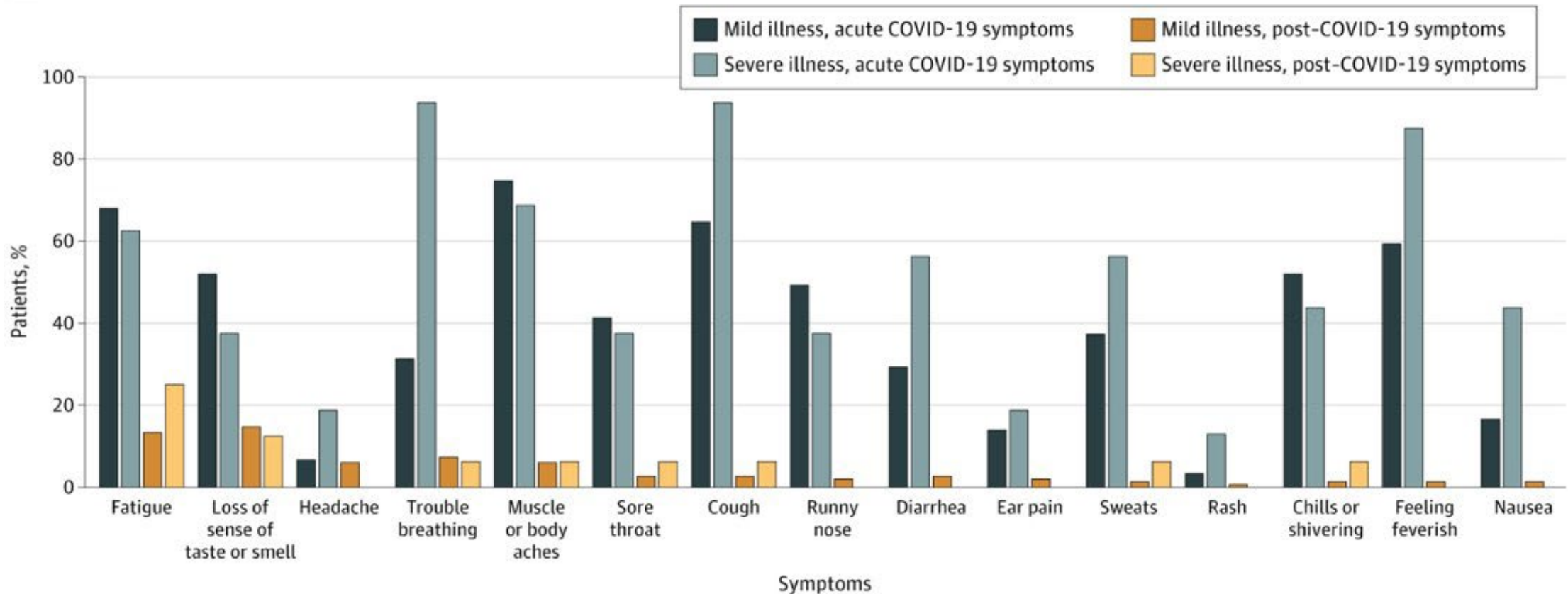


- 177 COVID-19 recovered individuals responded of 234 contacted (76%)
 - 161 mild-moderate cases (150 outpatients, 11 asymptomatic); 16 severe cases (16 inpatients)
- 21 healthy controls
- Completed survey median 5.5 months after illness
- At least one persistent symptom reported by:
 - 33% (n=49) of mild-moderate cases
 - 31% (n=5) of severe cases
- Persistent symptoms increased with age:
 - 27% (n=17) of 18-39 year olds
 - 30% (n=25) of 40-64 year olds
 - 43% (n=35) of those aged 65 and older

One-third of patients with mild disease had persistent symptoms at 6-month follow-up



B Percentage of participants who reported COVID-19 symptoms during acute illness and at follow-up



Almost a third of people with 'mild' Covid-19 still battle symptoms months later, study finds



By **Dr. Sanjay Gupta**, CNN Chief Medical Correspondent

Updated 9:28 AM ET, Tue February 23, 2021



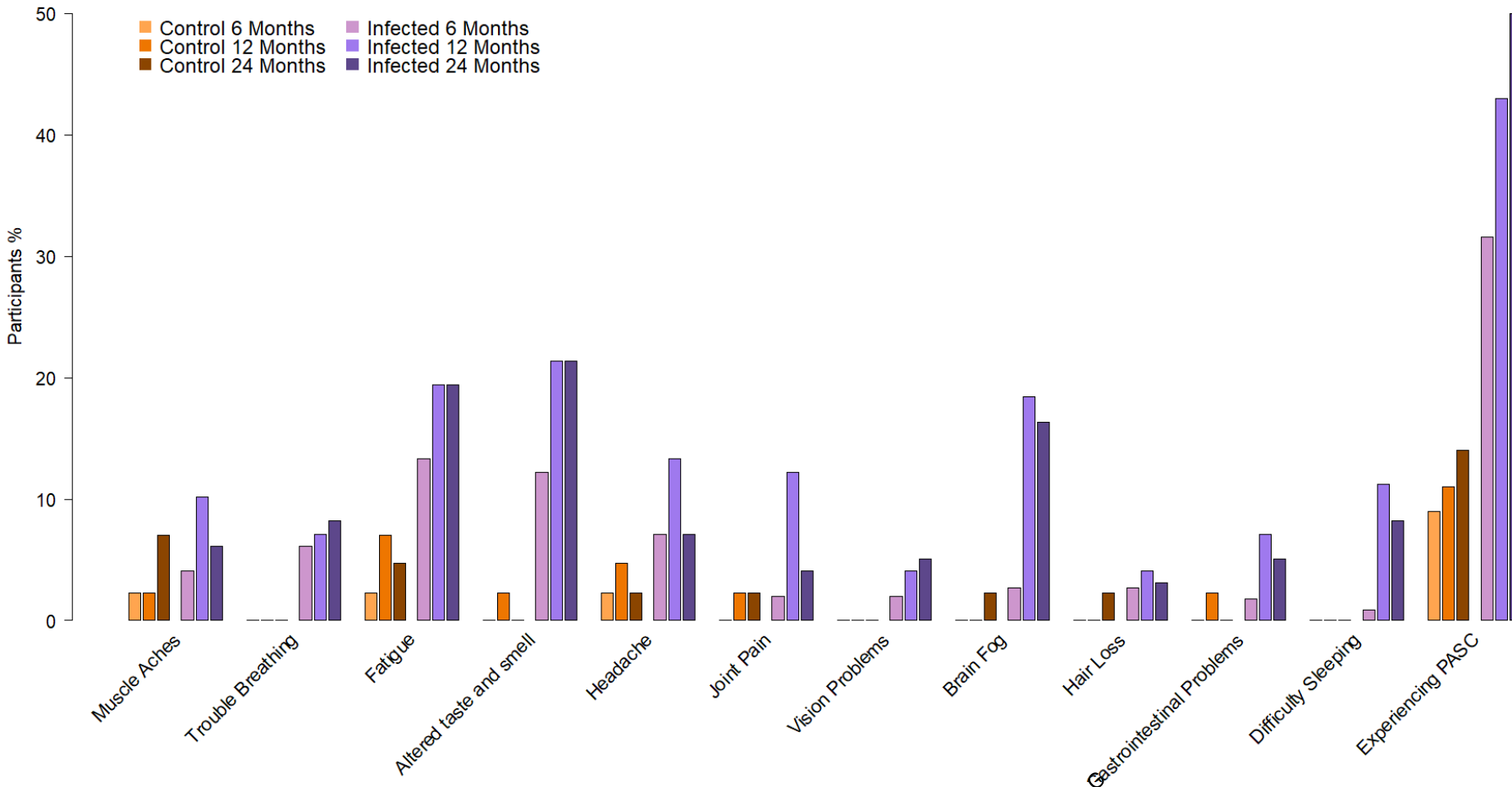
HEALTH AND SCIENCE

Dr. Fauci says new data suggests 'long' Covid symptoms can last up to 9 months

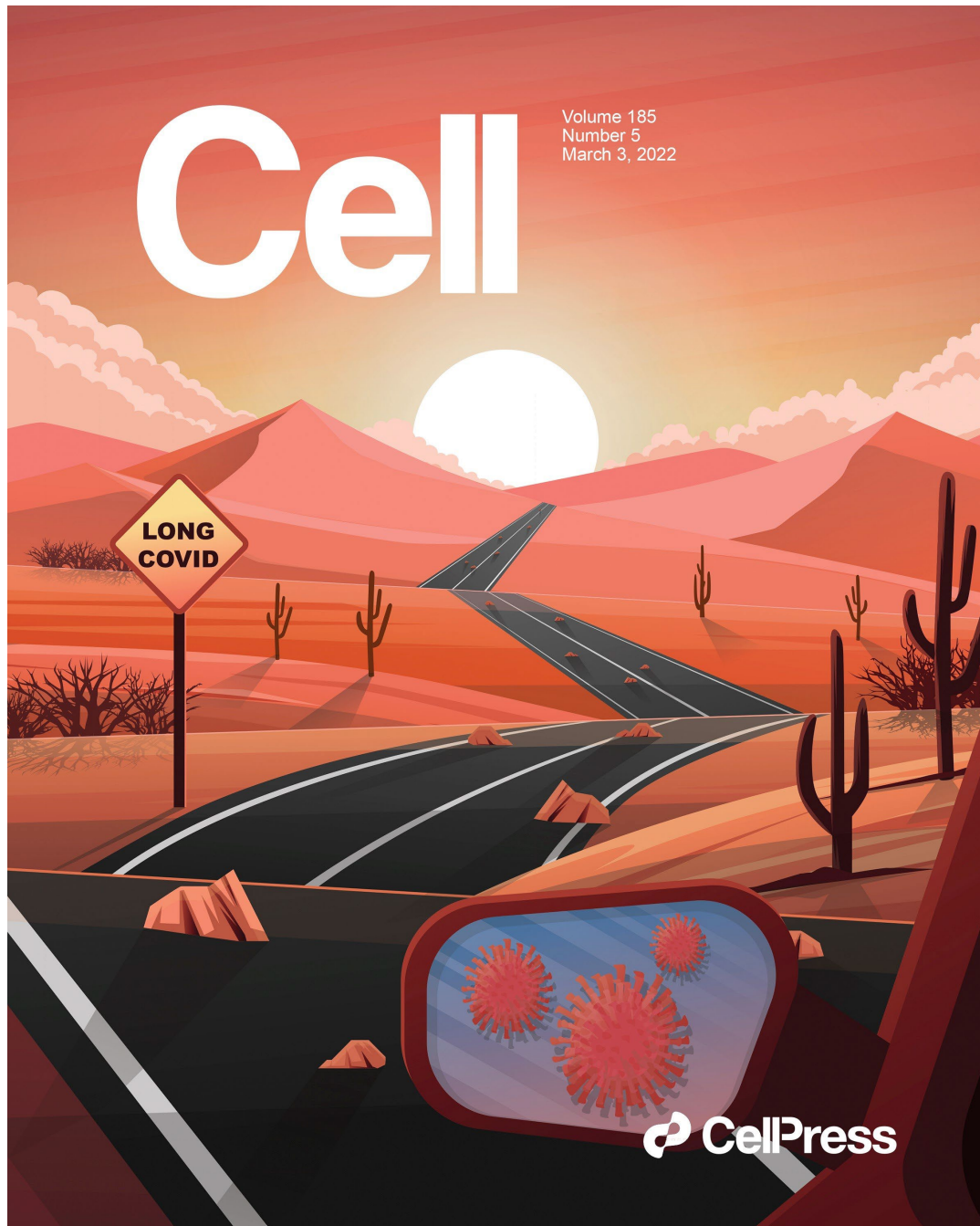
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Long COVID Persists 24 Months after Infection



- 50% (56/112) of participants experienced symptoms of long COVID at 24 months
- Most common symptoms
 - Altered smell and taste
 - Fatigue
 - Brain fog
- 36% reported conditions were improving or resolved



New Research Hints at 4 Factors That May Increase Chances of Long Covid

If further study confirms the findings, they could lead to ways to prevent and treat the complex condition.

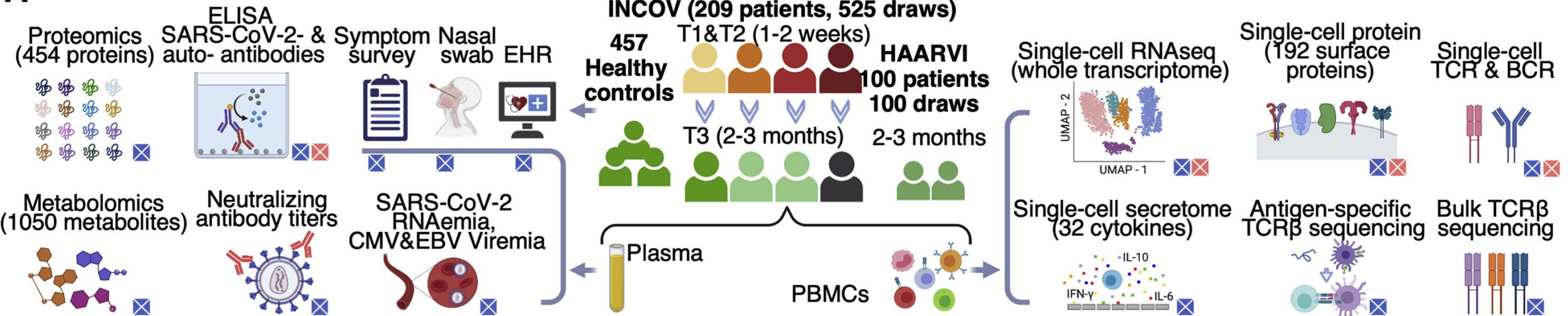
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Overview of study design: two COVID-19 cohorts and uninfected controls



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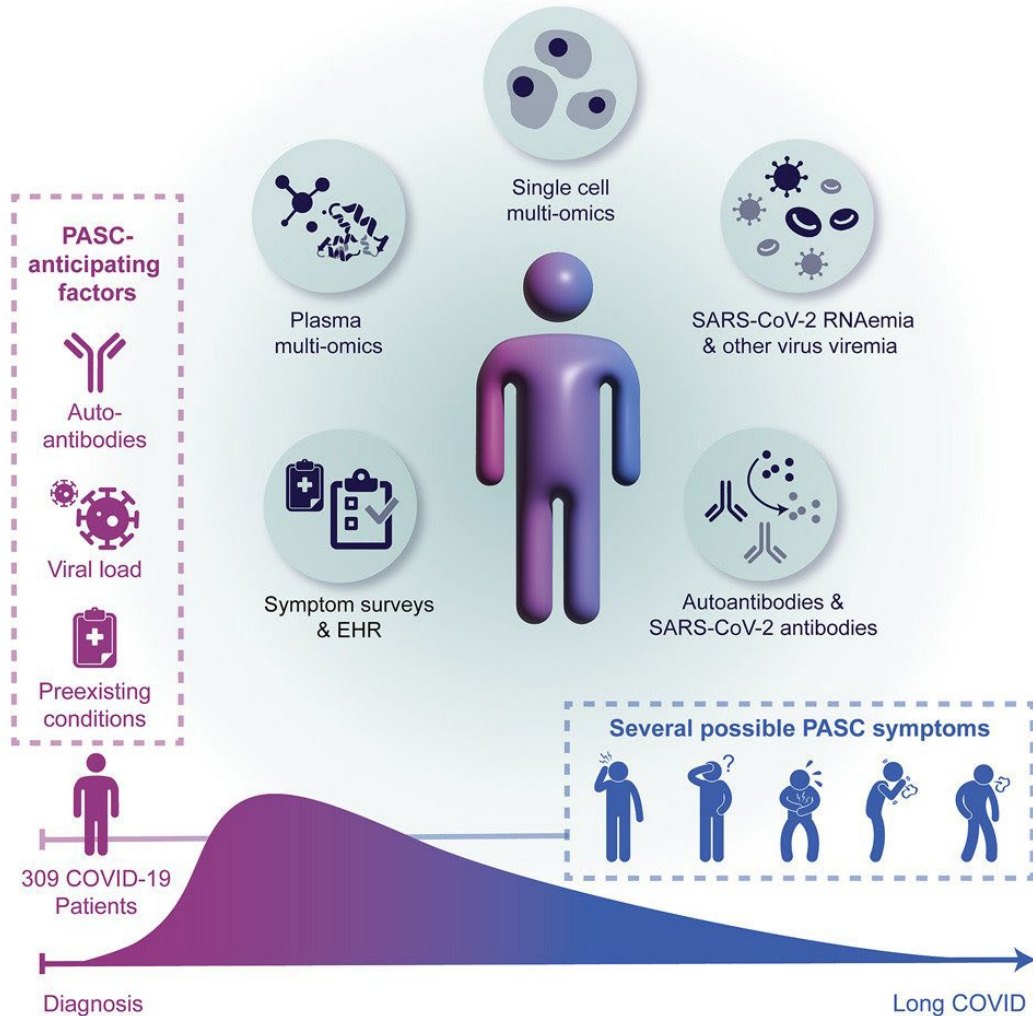


- Clinical and laboratory data
- Autoantibodies
- Plasma proteomic and metabolomic profiling

Three time points
 T1: Acute illness
 T2: 1-2 weeks
 T3: 2-3 months

- Single cell multi-omic characterization

Early Factors Correlated with Long COVID



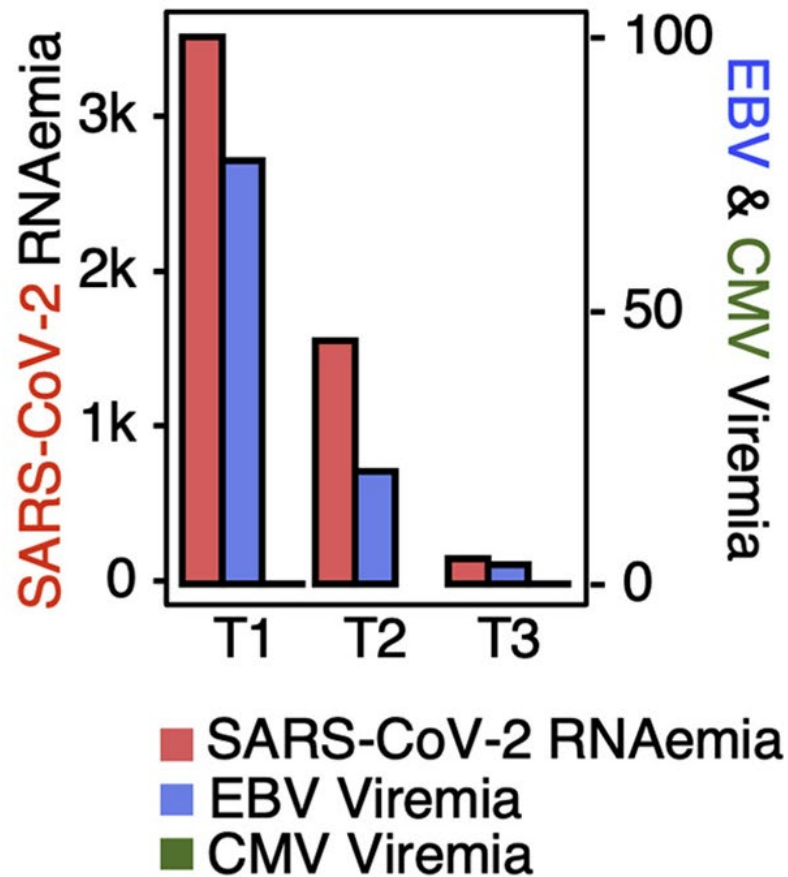
4 PASC-anticipating risk factors at time of initial COVID-19 diagnosis:

- Epstein-Barr virus viremia
- SARS-CoV-2 RNAemia
- Type 2 diabetes
- Autoantibodies

EBV and SARS-CoV-2 viremia at initial diagnosis was common, and associated with long COVID



F Viral load
%positive*avg. copy number/ml



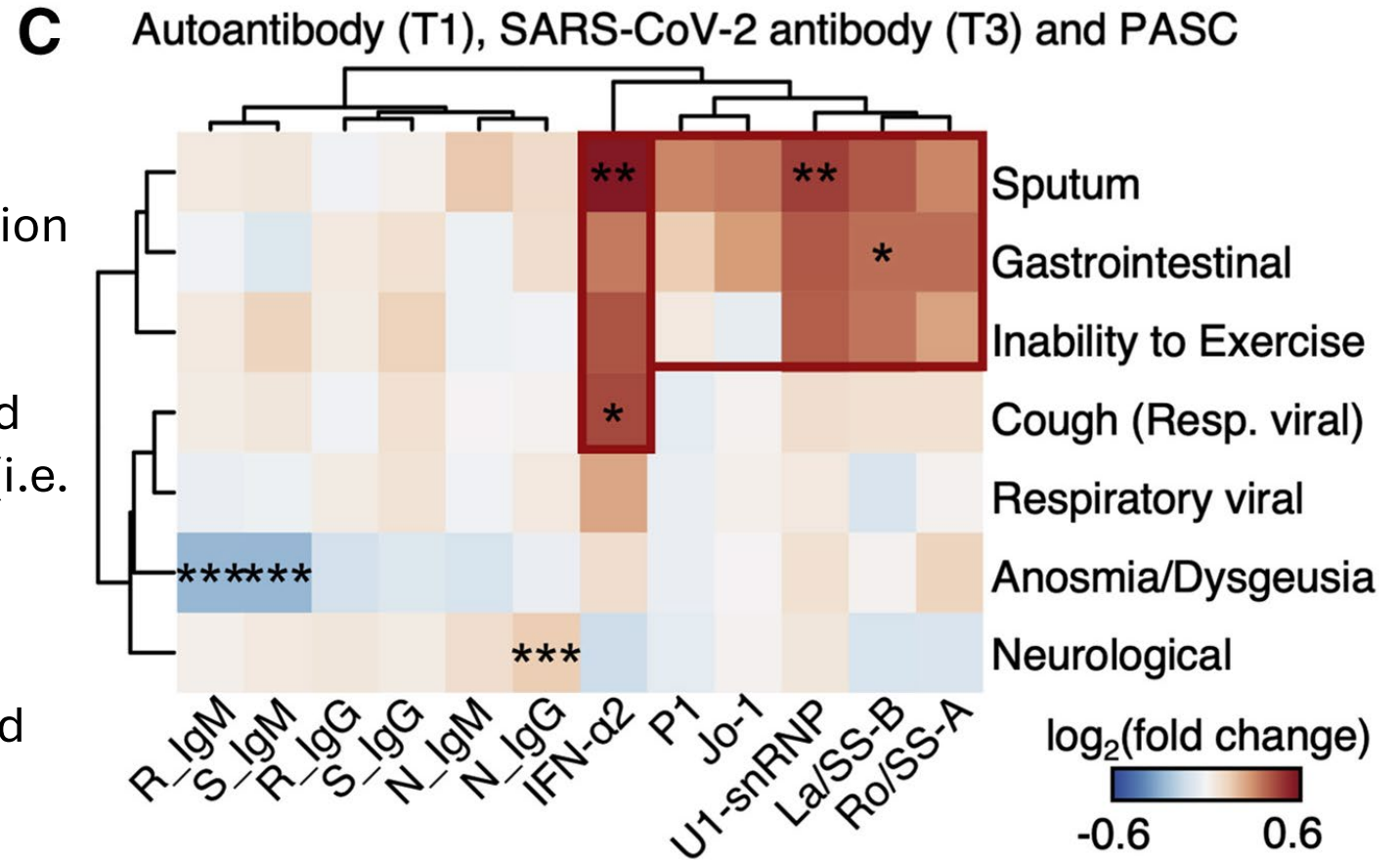
High proportions of individuals with SARS-CoV-2 and EBV at acute diagnosis

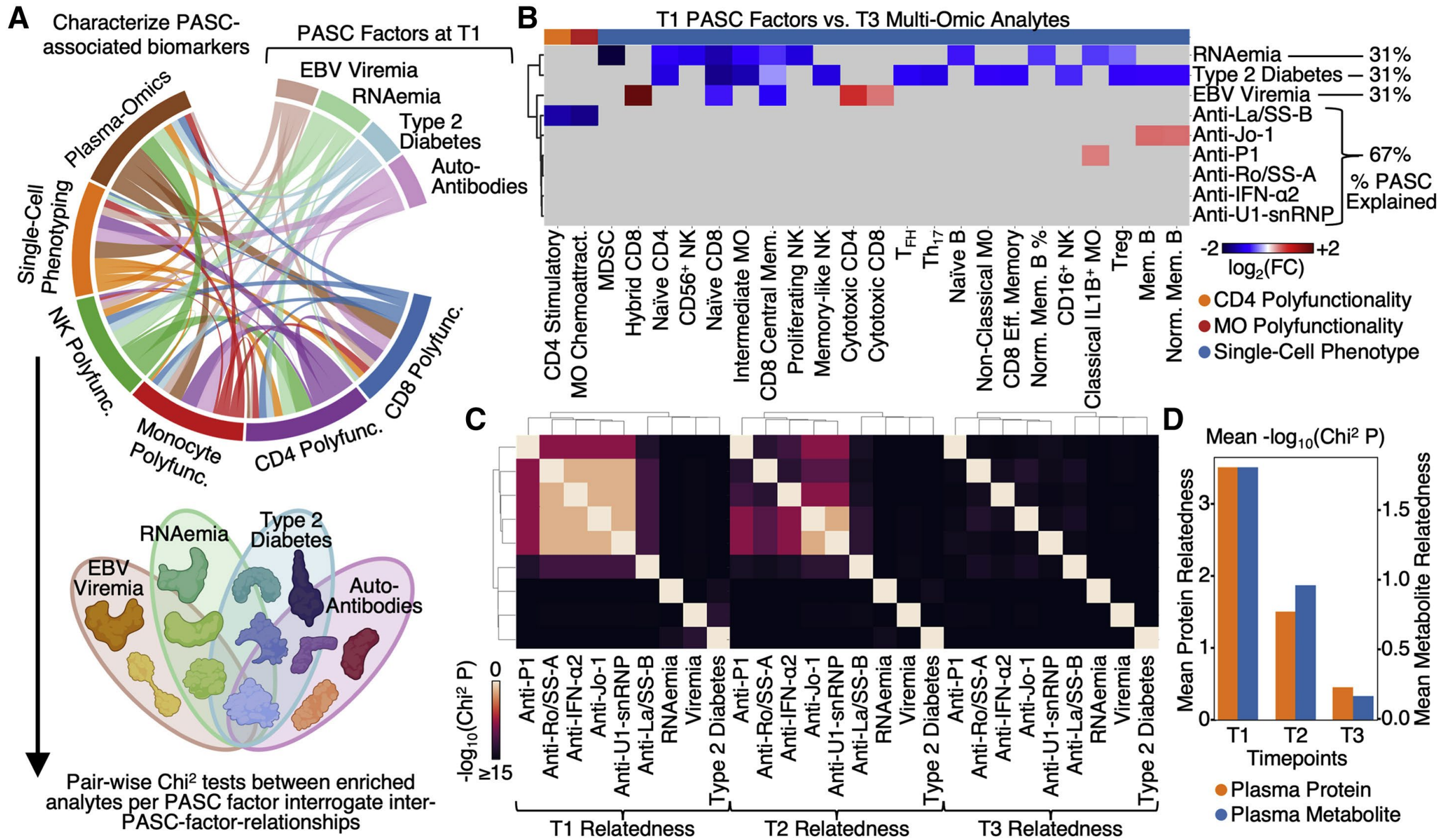
- 14% with EBV viremia
- 25% with SARS-CoV-2 RNAemia
- Resolved by 2-3 months

Autoantibodies present early in illness, and associated with specific long COVID conditions at 2-3 months



- Investigated autoantibodies commonly associated with systemic lupus erythematosus
- GI, inability to exercise and sputum production associated with autoantibodies
- Many with autoantibodies at 2-3 months had mature autoantibodies at early time points (i.e. could autoimmune disease predate long COVID)
- Higher SARS-CoV-2 antibody was associated with lower autoantibodies
- SARS-CoV-2 nucleocapsid IgG associated with neurologic symptoms





NIH RECOVER Observational Study

NIH consortium
with 40,000
participants
nationwide

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RECOVER Study

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Help us better understand the long-term effects of COVID.

If you or someone in your family has had COVID, or are feeling the long term effects of COVID, you might be able to help us understand more about it and treat it. Even if you have not had COVID, you might be able to help.

[GET STARTED >](#)

RECOVER
Researching COVID to Enhance Recovery

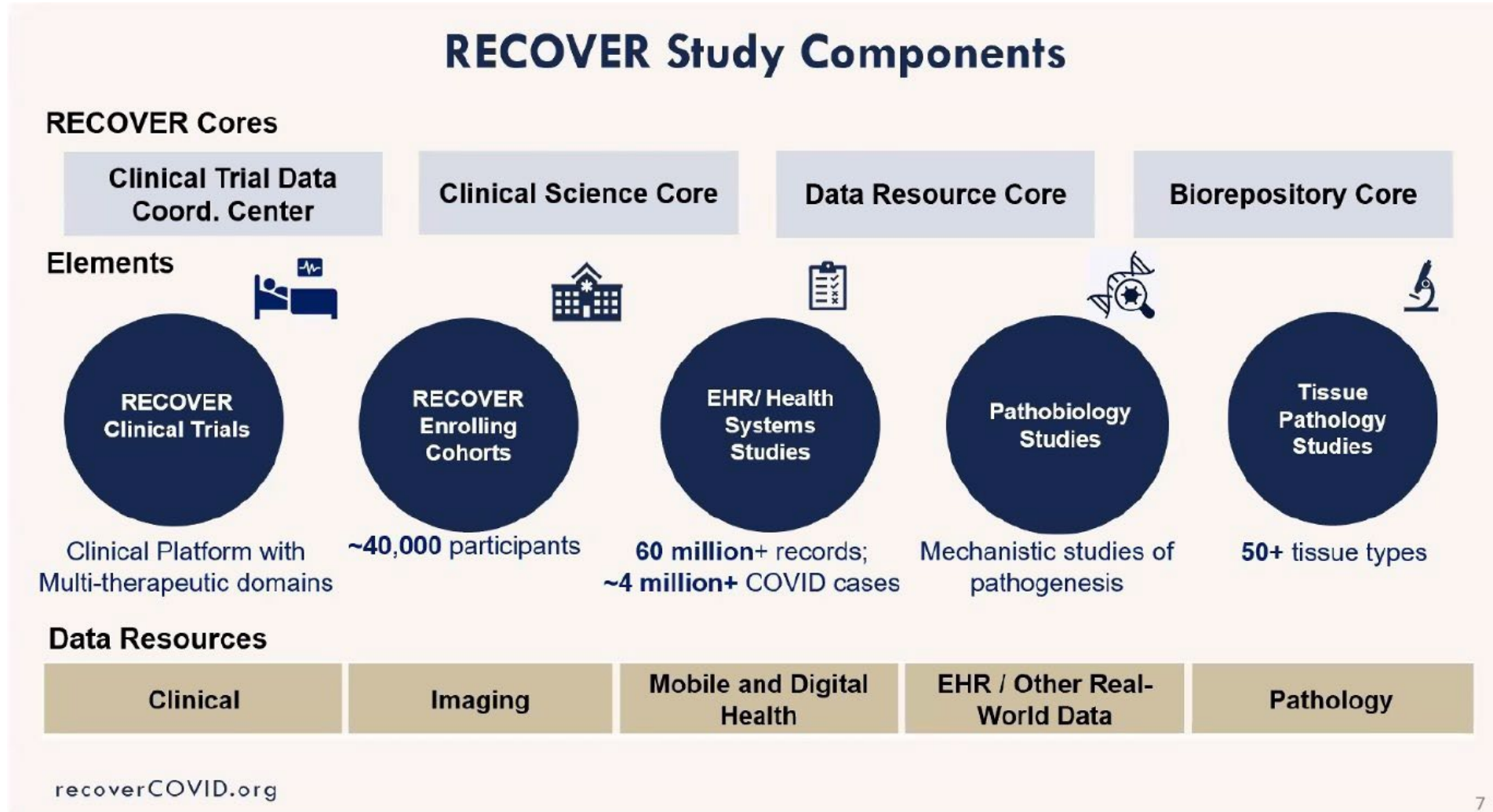


Study Aims



- Characterize the incidence and prevalence of sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 infection
 - Acute infected cohort (<30 days since infection)
 - Post-acute infected cohort (>30 days since infection)
 - Uninfected controls
- Characterize and describe the spectrum of clinical symptoms
- Define the biological mechanisms underlying pathogenesis of the sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 infection

RECOVER Observational Study Components



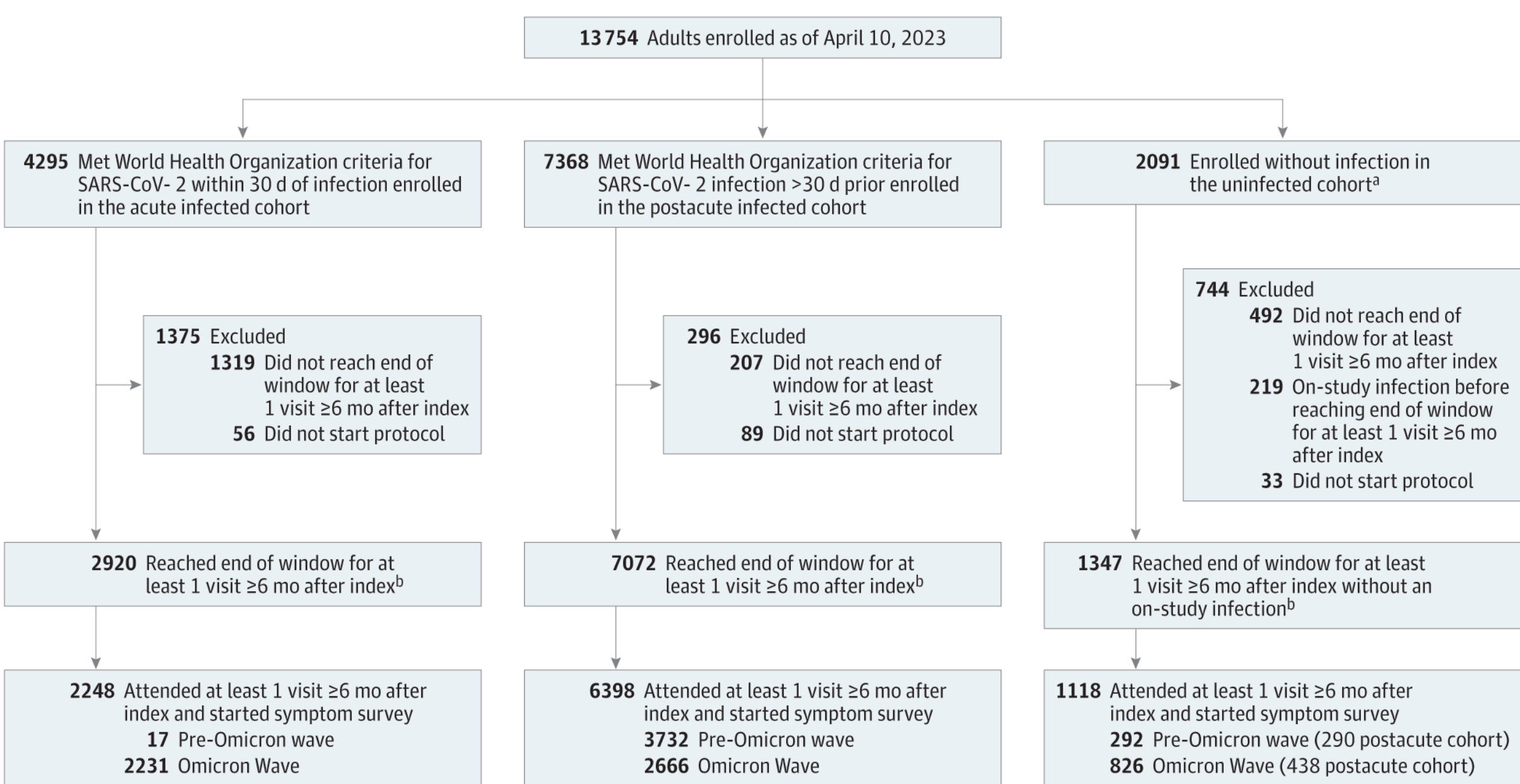
Timeline of Study Activities for Participants enrolled into the prospective observational study

eCRF	Baseline	Time Point after index date															
		3m	6m	9m	12m	15m	18m	21m	24m	27m	30m	33m	36m	39m	42m	45m	48m
Enrollment	●																
Tier 1-2 Consent	●																
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Visit	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Comorbidities	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
COVID Treatment*	●																
Medications	●																
Change in Medications		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Demographics	●																
PASC Symptoms	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Vaccination Status	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Social Determinants of Health	●																
Social Determinants Follow-up		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Alcohol/Tobacco	●																
Alcohol/Tobacco Follow-up		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Disability	●																
Pregnancy	●																
Pregnancy Follow-up		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Tier 1 office visit	●		●		●				●				●				●
Biospecimens	●	●	●		●				●				●				●
Lab Results	●	●	●		●				●				●				●
Tier 2/Tier 3 Tests		—————															

* COVID Treatment not collected on people without infection

Legend

- Completed by research coordinator
- Completed by participant
- Completed by research coordinator with review/validation by participant



RECOVER: Development of a Definition of Postacute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection

- What are the defining symptoms of Long COVID?
- Compared symptoms reported in individuals who never had COVID against those who had COVID at least six months prior
- Evaluated 9764 individuals (89% SARS-CoV-2 infection) enrolled before April 2023 with at least six months of follow-up



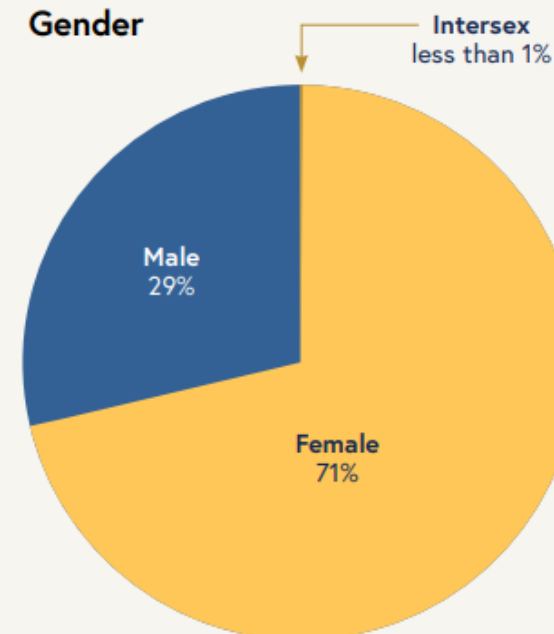
About 1,000
participants who never had
COVID (uninfected)



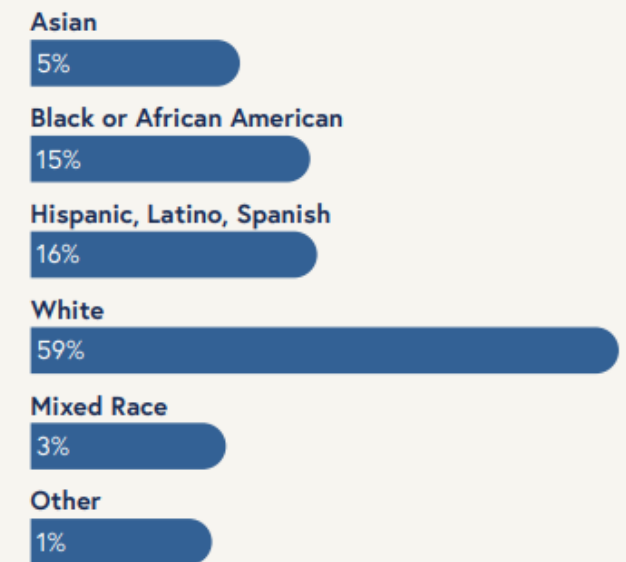
About 9,000
participants who had COVID
before they joined the study

The participants' average age was 47.

Gender



Race and Ethnicity



RECOVER: Development of a Definition of Postacute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection

- 10% of previously infected participants developed long COVID
- Evaluated 37 symptoms: selected 12 symptoms with adjusted odds ratio 1.5 or greater in those who had COVID, compared to uninfected
- Individuals were more likely to have long COVID
 - First COVID infection before December 2021 (Omicron wave)
 - Had more than one infection
 - Did not receive the COVID-19 vaccine
- Overall 12 symptoms best identified those with long COVID



Feeling tired and unwell that gets worse after physical or mental activity (post-exertional malaise)



Loss of sexual desire or ability



Feeling weak and tired (fatigue)



Loss of, or change in, taste or smell



Brain fog



Feeling thirsty



Dizziness



Long-term (chronic) cough



Symptoms that affect the stomach and digestion (gastrointestinal symptoms)



Chest pain



Fluttering or pounding heartbeats (palpitations)



Unusual movements (abnormal movements)

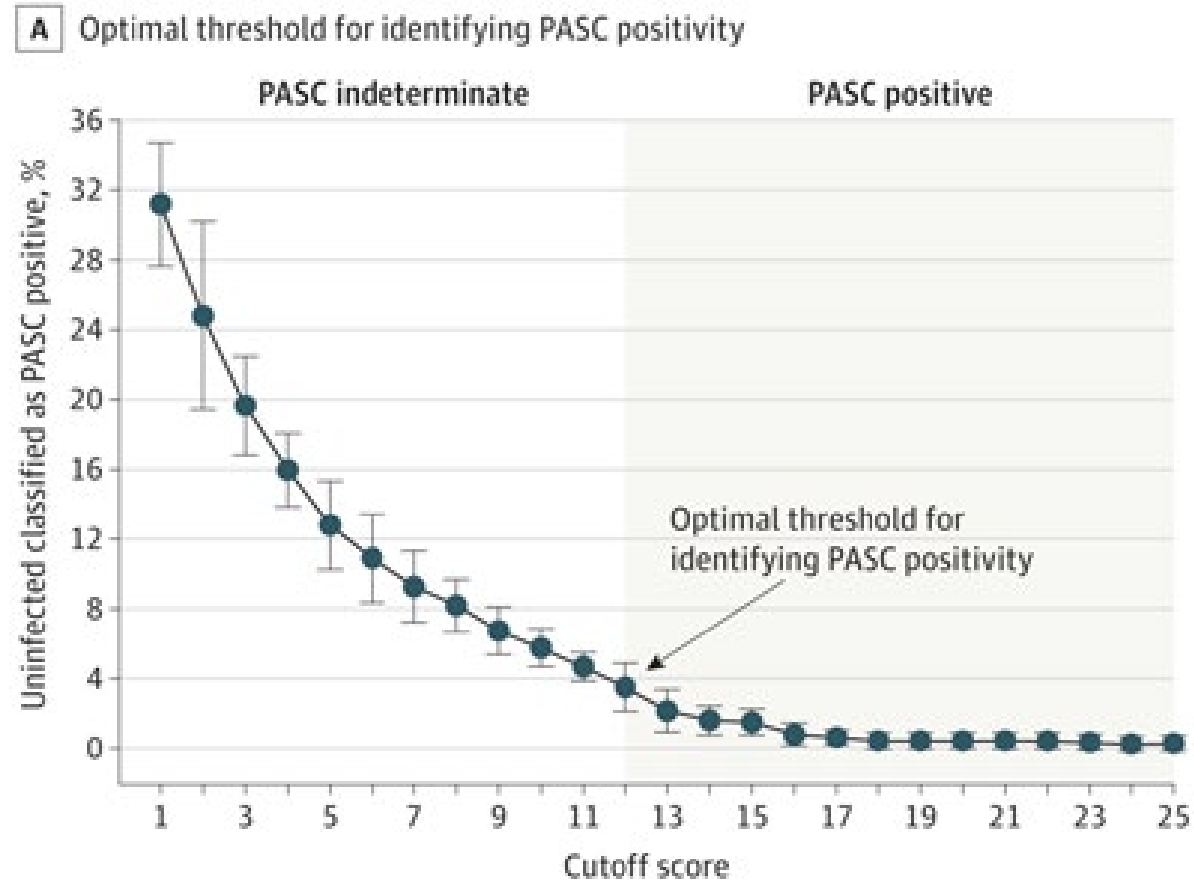
RECOVER: Development of a Definition of Postacute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection

- LASSO used to identify which symptoms defined PASC
- Symptom score assigned by dividing estimated log odds ratio by 0.10
- For each person, total score is sum of scores for each symptom reported
- Score threshold of 12 was optimal for separating those with and without PASC

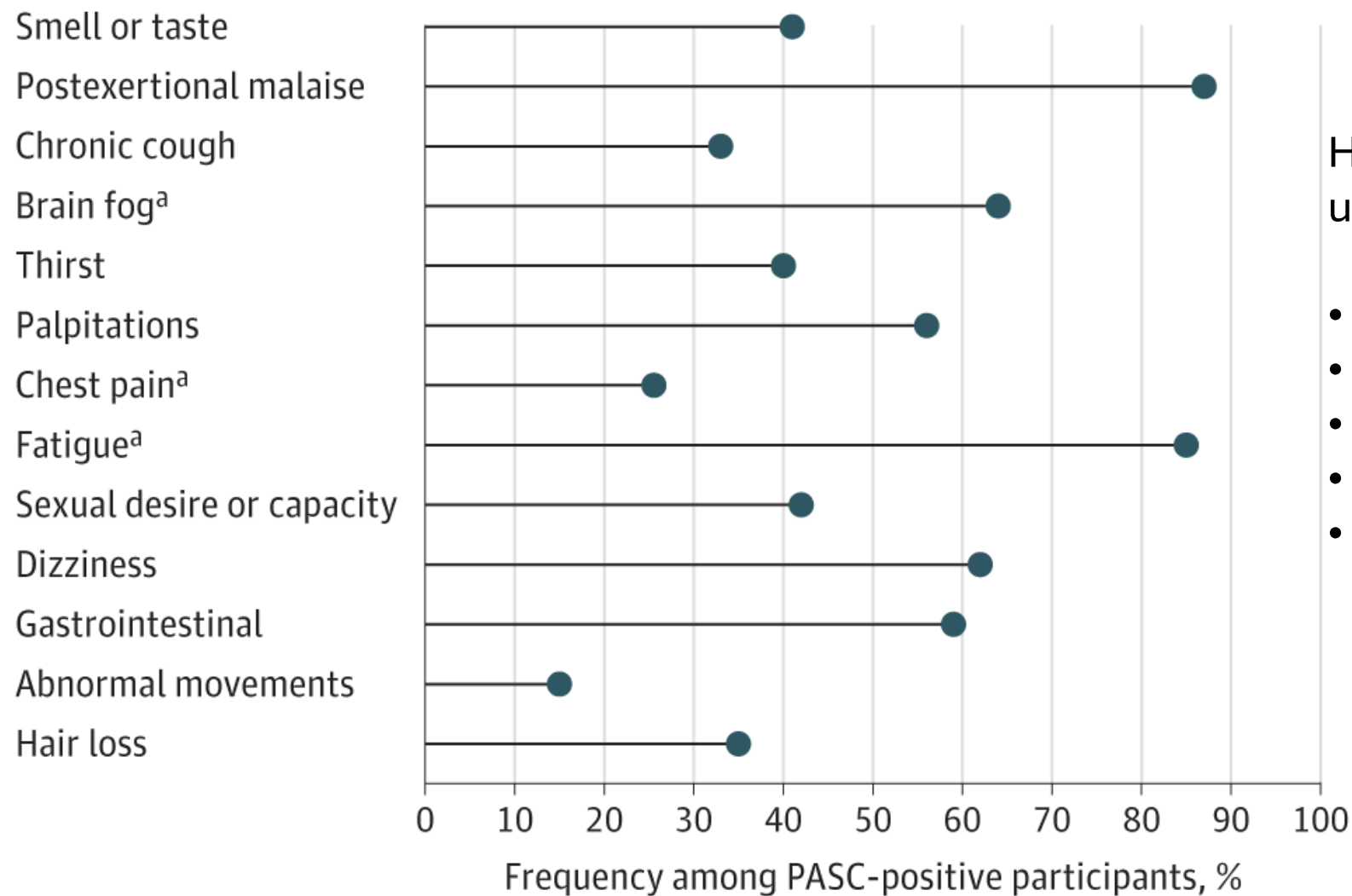
Table 2. Model-Selected Symptoms That Define PASC and Their Corresponding Scores^a

Symptom	Log odds ratio	Score
Smell/taste	0.776	8
Postexertional malaise	0.674	7
Chronic cough	0.438	4
Brain fog ^b	0.325	3
Thirst	0.255	3
Palpitations	0.238	2
Chest pain ^b	0.233	2
Fatigue ^b	0.148	1
Sexual desire or capacity	0.126	1
Dizzines	0.121	1
Gastrointestinal	0.085	1
Abnormal movements	0.072	1
Hair loss	0.049	0

RECOVER: Development of a Definition of Postacute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection



RECOVER: Symptom frequencies among PASC-positive participants for symptoms that contribute to the PASC score.



Highest OR for infected vs. uninfected:

- Postexertional malaise (aOR 5.2)
- Fatigue (aOR 2.9)
- Dizziness (aOR 3.4)
- Brain fog (aOR 4.5)
- GI symptoms (aOR 2.7)

RECOVER: Patient-Reported Outcomes of quality of life, physical health and ability to carry out physical activities decreases as PASC score increases

C Distribution of PROMIS Global 10 responses

PROMIS Global 10 Q2: general quality of life

Excellent	29	17	13	12	6	4
Very good	44	46	38	36	22	17
Good	21	30	37	36	41	32
Fair	5	6	10	14	25	33
Poor	1	0	2	2	7	14
	0	1-2	3-6	7-11	12-16	≥17
	PASC score (quintile above 0), %					

No. of participants 3951 1412 1106 1264 998 1033

PROMIS Global 10 Q3: general physical health

Excellent	15	6	4	4	1	0
Very good	41	31	27	20	11	7
Good	31	43	42	41	34	26
Fair	10	18	24	29	42	41
Poor	1	1	4	6	12	26
	0	1-2	3-6	7-11	12-16	≥17
	PASC score (quintile above 0), %					

No. of participants 3951 1412 1106 1264 998 1033

PROMIS Global 10 Q6: ability to carry out everyday physical activities

Completely	78	71	59	47	27	15
Mostly	12	17	21	25	27	22
Moderately	6	9	14	20	28	30
A little	3	3	6	8	17	31
Not at all	0	0	0	0	1	1
	0	1-2	3-6	7-11	12-16	≥17
	PASC score (quintile above 0), %					

No. of participants 3951 1412 1106 1264 998 1033

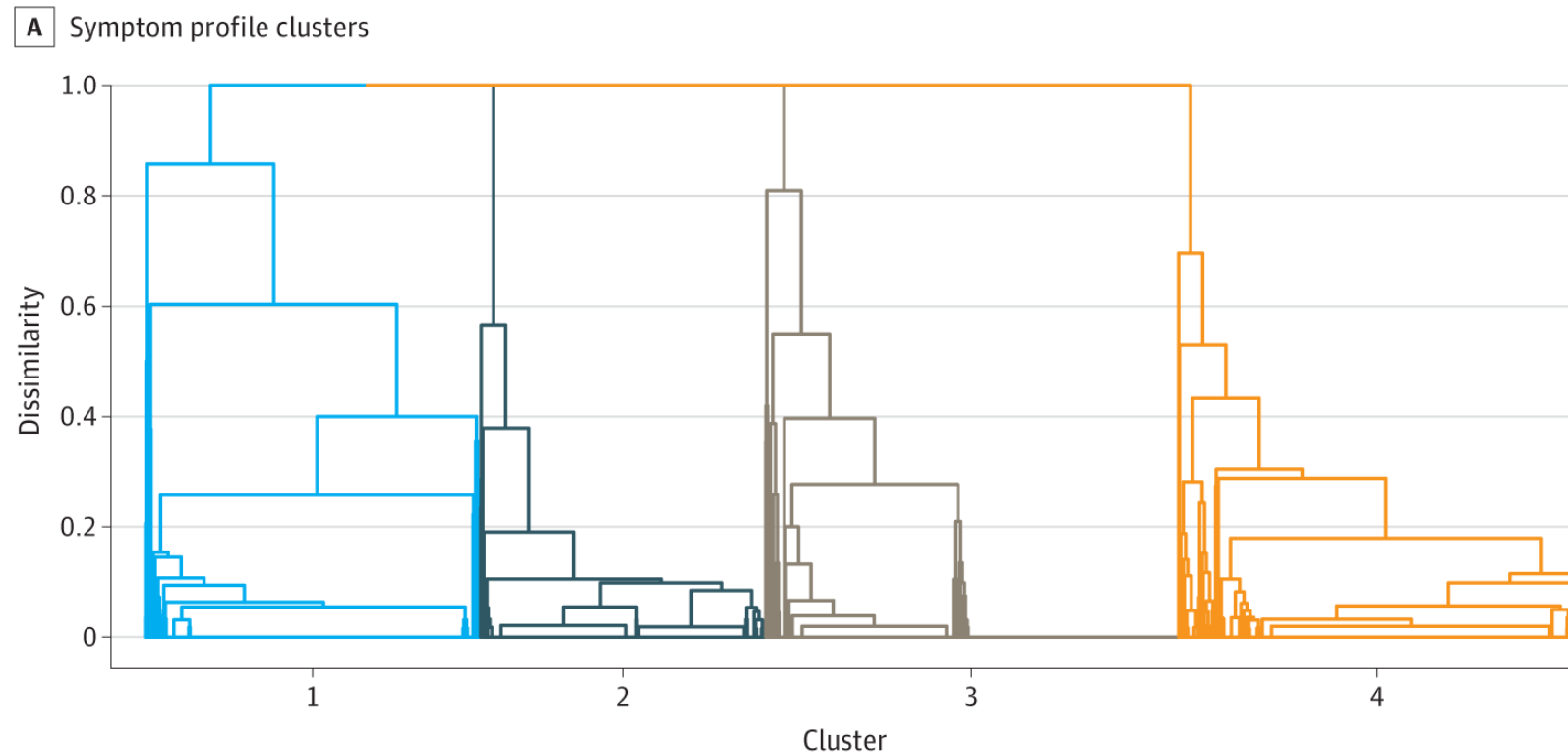
Identification of Postacute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection (PASC) Subgroups and Their Characteristics

Cluster 1: Smell or taste

Cluster 2: Postexertional malaise, fatigue

Cluster 3: brain fog, postexertional malaise, fatigue

Cluster 4: fatigue, postexertional malaise, dizziness, brain fog, palpitations



Higher frequency of pre-Omicron infections and unvaccinated participants in Cluster 4 (most severe)

Outline

- Definitions, risk factors, and clinical manifestations
- Results from research studies at the University of Washington
- **New clinical trials**

RECOVER-NEURO Clinical Trial

RECOVER-NEURO is focused on cognitive dysfunction symptoms associated with Long COVID, which may include trouble thinking clearly or remembering things (brain fog) and problems focusing on tasks. We want to better understand how the virus that causes COVID-19 affects the brain and find possible treatments to improve brain function for people with Long COVID.



RECOVER

Researching COVID to Enhance Recovery

RECOVER NEURO



Participants will be assigned by chance to one of these groups:



Participants will be in RECOVER-NEURO for about 6 months, including a 10-week study intervention period. During this time, they will be asked to:



Visit the clinic 3 times



Complete brain training sessions at home for 10 weeks



Answer surveys about how they are feeling



Complete lab tests and brain function tests

RECOVER-VITAL Clinical Trial

RECOVER-VITAL (viral persistence and reactivation, and immune dysregulation) is focused on viral persistence, which is when the virus that causes COVID-19 stays in the body and causes damage to organs or the immune system (the body's system that fights off illnesses) to not function properly. Researchers think that viral persistence may lead to Long COVID symptoms.



RECOVER

Researching COVID to Enhance Recovery

RECOVER VITAL



Participants will be assigned by chance to one of these groups:



Participants will be in RECOVER-VITAL for about 6 months.

During this time, they will be asked to:



Visit the clinic 4 to 5
times



Answer surveys
about how they are
feeling



Take a study drug for
up to 25 days,
provided at no cost



Complete lab tests,
physical ability
tests, and/or brain
function tests

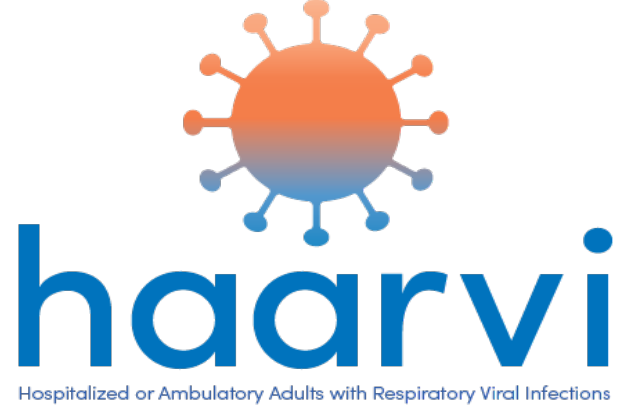
Conclusions

- Long COVID is a multisystem condition that occurs in approximately 10% of individuals with COVID-19 infection
- Certain risk factors present at initial diagnosis, including EBV viremia, SARS-CoV-2 RNAemia, diabetes, and autoantibodies are associated with development of long COVID
- Certain distinct symptoms are associated with long COVID, including post-exertional malaise, brain fog, fatigue and GI symptoms
- New research studies are attempting to better understand the predictors of PASC, as well as potential preventions and treatments

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Research and clinical care

- <https://www.chulab.org/participate-in-a-study>
 - Enroll in observational and clinical trials
- <https://www.uwmedicine.org/specialties/post-covid-rehabilitation>
 - Access medical care at UW

Other mechanisms: Autoantibodies

Immune-targeting autoantibodies are increased in patients with COVID-19:

- Acute COVID-19 associated with increased autoantibody reactivities including auto-Ab against:
 - Immunomodulatory proteins (cytokines, chemokines, complement components and cell-surface proteins)
 - Tissue-associated antigens

Wang EY, Nature (2021);

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-021-03631-y>

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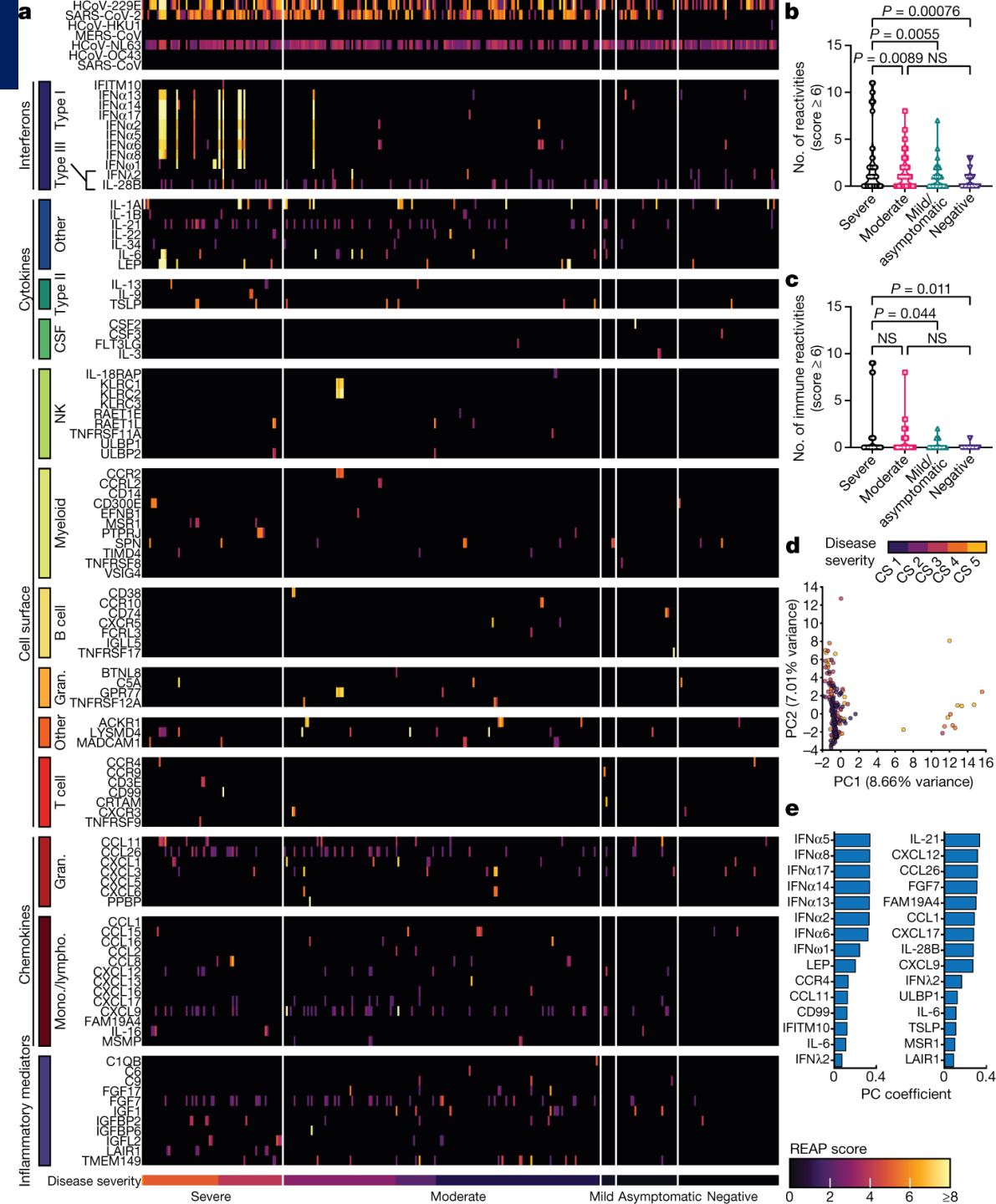
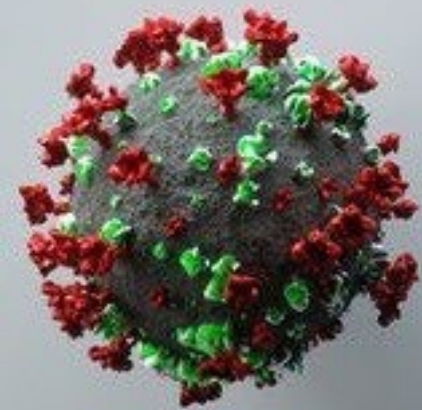


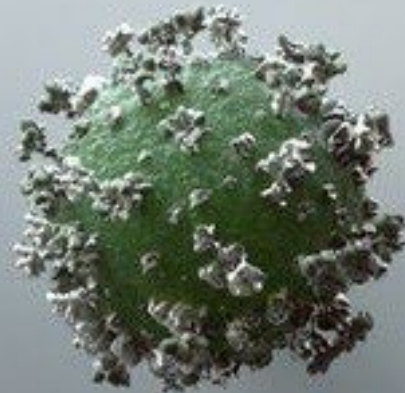
Table 1. RECOVER Adult Cohort Demographic Characteristics by Infection Status at Enrollment

Characteristic ^a	No./total (%)		
	Infected (n = 8646)	Uninfected (n = 1118)	Uninfected with balancing weights (n = 1109), %
Age at enrollment, y			
Median (IQR)	45 (34-59)	55 (40-65)	45 (35-60)
No.	8637	1117	1109
Age category at enrollment, y			
18-45	4389/8637 (51)	377/1117 (34)	51
46-65	3175/8637 (37)	502/1117 (45)	37
>65	1073/8637 (12)	238/1117 (21)	12
Race and ethnicity ^b			
Asian, non-Hispanic	428/8558 (5)	73/1106 (7)	5
Black or African American, non-Hispanic	1220/8558 (14)	197/1106 (18)	14
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish	1473/8558 (17)	119/1106 (11)	17
White, non-Hispanic	5027/8558 (59)	685/1106 (62)	59
Multiracial/multiethnic	305/8558 (4)	26/1106 (2)	4
Other	105/8558 (1)	6/1106 (1)	1
Sex assigned at birth			
Female	6221/8602 (72)	711/1110 (64)	72
Male	2377/8602 (28)	399/1110 (36)	28
Intersex	4/8602 (<1)	0/1110	0
Vaccination status at index date ^c			
Unvaccinated	3291/8538 (39)	161/1095 (15)	16
Partially vaccinated	154/8538 (2)	21/1095 (2)	2
Fully vaccinated	4725/8538 (55)	860/1095 (79)	77
Date of last dose unknown	368/8538 (4)	53/1095 (5)	5
Cohort and prevalent SARS-CoV-2 strain at Index ^d			
Acute pre-Omicron	17/8646 (<1)	2/1118 (<1)	<1
Acute Omicron	2231/8646 (26)	388/1118 (35)	33
Postacute pre-Omicron	3732/8646 (43)	290/1118 (26)	28
Postacute Omicron	2666/8646 (31)	438/1118 (39)	39
Medically underserved area			
Yes	2369/8646 (27)	298/1118 (27)	28
No	6277/8646 (73)	820/1118 (73)	72
Rural participant			
Yes	465/8646 (5)	45/1118 (4)	4



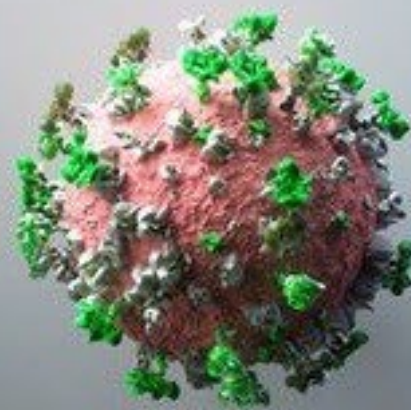
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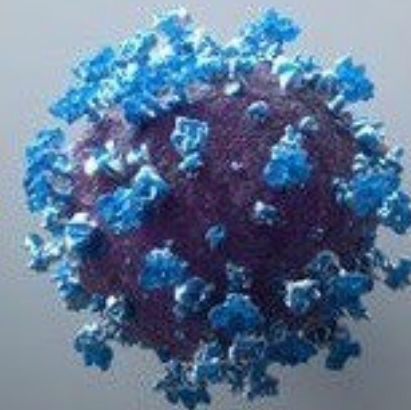
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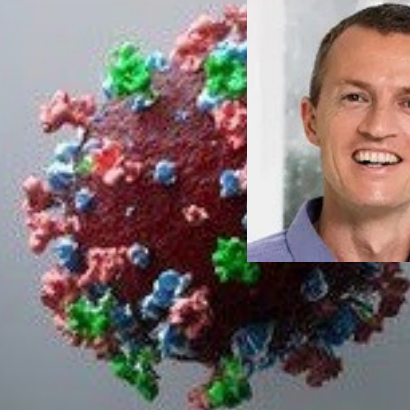
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Omicron

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